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**Looks Poised** 

**Interest Rates** 

**European Stock Markets** 

By Carl Gewirtz

PARIS - The Bundeshank issued a strong

signal Tuesday that it intends to cut interest rates on Wednesday, sending European stock and bond markets sharply higher.

The dollar and most European currencies rose against the Deutsche mark in a wave of optimism that Germany's neighbors would

grasp the opportunity to cut their own rates.

The European component of the International Herald Tribune World Stock Index rose 0.91 percent, to close at 92.35. The overall Trib

index feli 0.23 percent, to 89.85.

The news from Germany allowed the pound and London stocks to take a break from British

economic and political problems to regain some

The Financial Times-Stock Exchange index of 100 leading shares surged 54.8 points, or 2.14 percent, to 2.617.00. Dealers said investors

bought on the assumption that the government would again lower rates to bolster the economy. In Paris, the CAC-40 index rose 52.2 points, or 3.11 percent, to 1,731.26, while in Frankfurt.

the DAX index shot up 32.48 points, or 2.2

Germany's rates, trimmed last month but still near record highs to combat inflation, have depressed the dollar and strained the European Community's currency grid. But the Bundes-

The dollar, which initially had some difficul-ty Tuesday pushing above 1.5150 DM, finally succeeded and ended trading in Frankfurt at

European currencies gained on the mark as well, with the pound enjoying a reprieve and climbing to 2.4560 DM, from 2.4204 in Lon-

don. The French franc advanced to 3.3909 DM.

The Bundesbank telegraphed its signal by inviting banks to submit bids for money at

whatever rates they think appropriate at

Wednesday's weekly tender — a form not used since early September, before the upheavals in

Since then, the central bank has used a fixedrate formula, telling hanks in advance that money would be lent at 8.9 percent. The only

question was bow much money would be pro-

open the question about the amount

Switching to a variable-rate tender leaves

In the past, the Bundesbank has used vari-

able-rate tenders as an excuse to push rates up,

by saying that the increase simply reflected

quoted at 8.85 percent; analysts were projecting

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bank has resisted calls for a further cut.

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Move Sharply Upward As Mark Loses Ground

To Reduce

# **Bush Alters Tone** In Debate, but Not Prospects

By R.W. Apple Jr.
New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — The final debate, the politicians and pundits aid before it began, was President George Bush's last, best hope to mift the tone and dynamics of the campaign. Do something differnt, they told Mr. Bush, or prepare to lose the presidency on Nov. 3.

He changed his ways for the better. There was no looking at his watch in the encounter in East Lansing, Michigan, as there had been the second debate, and no suggestion of languor. His message was lear. He did his best to make voters think about character and trust, ather than blaming him for costing them their jobs, even invoking torace Greeley to the effect that character counts most.

But by the end of 90 minutes, he had plowed little new substantive ground, and it appeared doubtful that he had done enough to alter

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he course of a campaign in which his own economic record has been political millstone and Governor Bill Clinton of Arkansas has aken a commanding lead. Polis taken immediately following the lebate suggested that he had not done enough.

Because Mr. Bush is behind in so many states, he had hoped to lift is national standing in the debates, then go after states with big slocs of electoral votes in the remaining two weeks. If it turns out hat he failed, he faces long odds in picking up the swing states that he badly needs, such as Ohio, Michigan and Illinois.

The president's job was made harder because he was under attack not only from Mr. Clinton this time, but for most of the evening from the independent candidate, Ross Perot, as well. On Iraq, Panama and the savings and loan scandal, Mr. Perot blamed Mr. Bush for plunders that he said had cost the nation dearly.

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Mr. Perot provided much of the fireworks Monday evening and is before, most of its sparse supply of humor. He tried to shake the label of "quitter," from which he has suffered since his sudden withdrawal last July, with an account of his steadfastness in earlier rises. But he offered few specific programs of his own.

Once again, Mr. Clinton was calm, well-organized and direct. Despite his lack of experience in the big leagues of national politics, he stood up well in the crunch. If he generated little excitement, he also ended his three lengthy confrontations with his rivals without having made any significant misstatements or errors.

Walking a fine line m an effort to manifest both presidential dignity and an underdog's aggression, Mr. Bush laid out his arguments with a new vigor, particularly his charges that Mr. Clinton had been a failure as governor of Arkansas and would fail if elected

been a failure as governor of Arkansas and would fail if elected president. A Clinton victory, he argued repeatedly, would give the introduced president and a spending Congress."

Seeking to portray Mr. Clinton as slippery and indecisive, while winning himself a degree of absolution for the recession, Mr. Bush kept saying, "if I make a mistake, I admit it" and kept accusing Mr. Clinton of working both sides of every issue.

But in one of the most dramatic moments of the debate, Mr. Perot savagely attacked Mr. Bush accusing him without mentioning him

savagely attacked Mr. Bush, accusing him without mentioning his name of using taxpayer money to bring General Manuel Antonio Noriega of Panama and President Saddam Hussein of Iraq to power, and calling on him to admit to those mistakes.

Mr. Perot also accused the president of having told Mr. Saddam that he could amex northern Kuwait and demanded that Mr. Bush Frelease relevant papers. The president reacted with a flat, heated

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# - President's Jabs Draw Only Shrugs

By Paul F. Horvitz

onal Herald Tribune WASHINGTON — President George Bush tried to spark much-needed campaign mo-Place to the second and the plant mentum Tuesday after a more aggressive debate performance, but snap polls revealed that he had carned little more than a

shrug from many Americans. Each of four television network opinion surveys taken immediately after Monday night's debate placed the president last or tied for last when viewers were asked which of the three candidates had "won" or performed best during the encoun-

When the results are averaged, the polls by ABC, CBS, NBC and CNN placed Gover-nor Bill Clinton, the Democratic candidate, as the debate Percent and Market and percent and Mr. Bush farther back with 24 percent. The polls were far from de-

ly large margin of error: plus or minus five percentage points. But the results clearly disap-pointed the president's advisers, who had expressed satisfaction with Mr. Bush's forceful

debate presentation. One of the surveys found that the debate changed the minds

President Bush takes some hits of his own. Page 3.

of only one in seven voters, sug-gesting that many potential vot-ers had settled on a candidate even before the final debate.

Mr. Perot got a boost from a survey that indicated that 60 percent of viewers thought more favorably of him after the debate while only 12 percent reacted negatively.

As the president launched a "whistle-stop" train tour through the Carolinas and Georgia on Tuesday to See DEBATE, Page 2



ELIZABETH GETS A TOUR — Chancellor Helmut Kohl pointing out sights of interest to the visiting Queen Elizabeth II on Tuesday. Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel said the royal trip had eased tensions. Page 2.

## Germany Asks If Recession **Has Started**

By Brandon Mitchener

International Herald Tribune
FRANKFURT — The word recession, not too long ago taboo among Germany's political and media elite, is fast becoming

politically correct.

German economists, politicians and media have begun working the dreaded word into reports, speeches and headlines with increasing frequency and aplomb, joining the chorus of foreigners that have used it for months in describing the German econ-

man economy would "fall through the floor" in 1993. It quoted a leading adviser to Chancellor Helmut Kohl as saying the state of the nation was much more dire than generally admitted.

The change in rhetoric among Germans in high places reflects a growing concern with the country's precarious economic situation, but it equally reflects a political scare tactic aimed at urging union wage restraint and indirectly influencing mone-

tary policy, analysts say.

"Pessimism is good when it makes people pensive," said Martin Hüfner, chief economist of Bayerische Vereinsbank, "but bad when it leads to inertia."

If people think Western Germany is in recession, or entering one, the thinking goes, the country's powerful unions are likely to be more moderate in their contract demands, encouraging the Bundesbank in turn to cut Germany's painfully high inter-est rates — thereby ending the recession. Whether the country is in a recession, economists said, is only indirectly likely to

affect Bundesbank monetary policy, but has an immediate bearing on union contract negotiations. The biggest public sector union, whose demands often set the trend for the following year, is expected to an-nounced its initial wage target in Novem-

Is the West German economy in a recession, or entering one? "Jein," Germans say, combining the words "ja" and "nein," yes

"According to the American definition we will have a recession, there's no question of that," said Helmut Kaiser, a senior economist at Deutsche Bank Research. "But a recession by the German definition is out of

# See RECESSION, Page 19 Companion Killed Petra Kelly, Then Himself

By Marc Fisher

Washington Post Service BERLIN - Petra Kelly, the founder of Germany's Green Party, was found dead in her home, shot in her sleep by her longtime companion, Gert Bastian, a former West German general who also turned his pistol on himself, the police said Tuesday.

The deaths of two of the most prominent figures in the world's most successful environmental party shocked a country already buffeted by a wave of

Prosecutors said the shootings were

either a murder-suicide or the result of a suicide pact. Colleagues said Mr. Bastian had been upset recently by Germany's failure to halt the wave of neo-Nazi attacks on foreigners. Miss Kelly was said to be depressed both by her lack of political impact in the two years since German reunification and by her recent dismissal from a cable television channel where she was moderator of a talk show.

Although the Greens have had a lower profile since German voters ousted them from the legislature in 1990, their environmentalist-pacifist message remains an essential part of the country's political mix, and the party is part of governing coalitions in 4 of Germany's 16 states. Miss Kelly, a graduate of American University in Washington and the stepdaughter of a U.S. Army colonel, was one of Germany's best-known politicians. She was a feisty, fast-talking dyna-mo who had recently tried to shift from electoral politics to television, where she

was moderator of "Five to Twelve," a program on ecological problems.

Miss Kelly, 44, lived for close to a decade with Mr. Bastian, 69, a longtime military man who was forced out of Germany's armed forces in 1980 when he

publicly criticized the proposed deploy-

ment of medium-range U.S. nuclear mis-siles on German soil. Both Miss Kelly in the West German legislature.

The police found the decomposed bodies of the couple late Monday night, after relatives who had not heard from Miss Kelly or Mr. Bastian for weeks asked a friend to look inside their Bonn

After an autopsy Tuesday, the chief homicide investigator, Hartmut Otto, said Mr. Bastian shot Miss Kelly in the See KELLY, Page 2

and Mr. Bastian spent most of the 1980s

Although the Frankfurt market is awash with liquidity following last month's massive interventions aimed at stabilizing the foreign-exchange market, analysts said commercial bank-ers had been advised by Bundesbank officials that they expected the shift to a variable-rate tender to result in the market pulling interest

The rate on day-to-day money Tuesday was

panies to buy raw materials at the 500 railroad cars to haul consumer

# The Ominously Shaking Hand That Steers China's Course

By Lena H. Sun Washington Post Service

BELJING - The most significant image of Deng Xiaoping this-week was the television close-up of his left hand. For a few seconds, as milions of Chinese watched, the senior leader's hand bent almost into a claw as it trembled violently.

Mr. Deng's shaking fist is a symbol of the underlying unsteadiness of the current regime, and a vivid reminder that the fate of the world's most populous nation is in the hands of an elderly man who rules much like an emperor.

echelons of Communist Party power have put in place a core group of technocrats to implement capital-ist-style reforms that will keep the economy growing but preserve the

For the 88-year-old leader, it was well as redefine communism. fastest-growing anywhere. Even

another milestone in a remarkable career that has seen him open up an isolationist and xenophobic China to foreign trade and commerce as China's economy is one of the

To be sure, Mr. Deng can be though the economic changes that satisfied that this week's sweeping Mr. Deng engineered in the late personnel appointments to the top 1970s have widened the gap between the haves and the have-nots,

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the days of Maoist stagnation are long gone. In the first eight months

As a survivor who fought many

#### But after this week's party conress, one question looms larger

of the year, China's real gross national product grew at an annual rate of 14 percent. In the steamy month of July, a newly opened lux-ury department store in Beijing sold a fur coat every day to Chinese consumers flush with cash.

tionary comrades, as well as his

than ever: Can Deng Xiaoping now die in peace? The answer is no.

fundamental contradictions in Chinese society.

In many ways, the leadership changes he has helped engineer

have locked China on a course that seems destined to sharpen some

Now that the Communist Party's

name of socialism with Chinese characteristics, the rush to get rich quick is sure to accelerate. Already, the changes have creat-

ed a new entrepreneurial class, an economic elite, that is changing China from the bottom up. They exist in a system that is neither wholly capitalist nor wholly communist, but is totally corrupt. They use money to do virtually whatever they want in the economic sphere — for example, buying official ap-proval slips that allow certain comgoods to Russia for deals to buy commercial airplanes.

In the process, these entrepre neurs have already succeeded in subverting the system, disbursing power ontside traditional government and party channels. Now that the party has given a clear green light to capitalist-style change, that trend will only be accelerated. Unless the party can continue to keep these monied people happy, serious

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#### Nigeria Bombs Liberia Rebels

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast
AP) — Nigerian airplanes
and a frigate bombed the reel-held Liberian port of Buhanan on Tuesday, and rebels combarded the outskirts of Aonrovia with shells. Casuales were reported low.

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#### Quark and Other Quirky Terms Add Whimsy hensible," said Ms. Eisenberg, who has written about the language of science. "The bad side of that is the By Stephen S. Hall New York Times Service

Scientists Find a New Element

NEW YORK -- Most scientific names are dull and pedantic, and usually as impenetrable as the Latin in which Linnaeus named all species known to him. But recently a strange whimsy has started to creep in among the sesquipedalian prose of scientific journals. A few scientists are attaching catchy terms like "cha-os" or "chaperone molecules" to the things they

The trend may represent a slap at tradition, or perhaps a shrewd sense that a popular name can win a theory more attention and financing.

Even a cursory spin through contemporary journals reveals an abundance of suggestive, metaphoric

Chemistry has its "buckyballs," spherical frameworks of carbon atoms named after Buckminster Fuller and also called "buckminsterfullerenes." Physics has its "spin glass" and "wimps," for weakly interactive massive particles.

Besides "chaperone" molecules, which oversee the proper manufacture of proteins in cells, cell biology boasts its "leucine zippers," regions of gene-regulating proteins that link up before interacting with the DNA

These names have not sprung up without resistance. Anne Eisenberg, a professor at Polytechnic University in Brooklyn, says scientists think that "there's some thing suspect about it if you make it understandable." "There's tremendous snobbery against the compresnobbery. The good side of that is that it reflects the desire for scientific precision.

"Chaos" is a term coined by James A. Yorke of the University of Maryland to describe the mathematical behavior of dynamic physical systems like flowing water or weather, which cannot be predicted in the "Basically, large numbers of people have taken large

exception to the name," he says. But, he quickly adds,

the term "chaos" helped attract the attention of physi-

cists to an unusual concept known for quite some time

to mathematicians, and gave impetus to the study of chaos in physics. Alan Dressler, an astronomer in Pasadena, California, is another scientist who became rudely introduced to the perils of an innovative neologism. Mr. Dressler was asked at a news conference in 1987 to characterize a new discovery hy astronomers, an unusually dense aggregation of matter toward which hundreds of gal-

axies appeared mysteriously to be streaming. "I was waving my arms, looking for some way to explain how all these galaxies were moving." Mr. Dressler recalled, "and as sort of an unintentional ad

lib, I used the term 'great attractor.' The phrase entered scientific journals and the public imagination but has attracted criticism and even ridicule. "It has caused more problems in my career

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Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — Senior U.S. officials have denounced an Iraqi-United Nations agreement as giving Baghdad too much control over UN relief operations, and said the United States would press Secretary-General Butros Butros Ghali to disapprove the pact.

"We believe that this accord is a cavein that poses serious dangers to the integ-rity of the UN humanitarian relief effort inside Iraq," one official said, "and we are going to mount a full-court press to convince Butros Ghali not to accept it. We intend to be very firm about this, and we will expect the support of our allies in making that clear to the secretary-gener-

At issue is an agreement worked out over the weekend by Iraqi officials and James P. Grant, executive director of

Unicef, laying out the conditions under which UN agencies can operate within Iraq until March 1993. The accord, in the form of a memorandum of understanding, was signed by Mr. Grant and Iraqi representatives Monday.

The agreement provides for continuing the relief operations and protection that the UN has been providing to the Kurdish minority in northern Iraq since the spring of 1991. The UN activities, which include providing food, shelter, medical care and protective monitoring by UN security guards, were instituted after the end of the Gulf War when attacks by the Iraqi armed forces on the Kurdistan re-gion threatened to inundate neighboring Turkey and Iran with thousands of Kurd-

When details of the new agreement were communicated to U.S. officials here Monday, they immediately termed it un-

"If this stands, the Iraqis will have succeeded in putting dramatic limits on the ability of UN personnel to get around

take a bility of UN personnel to get around the ability of UN personnel to get around the basis for the UN presence in the country, and we intend to tell Butros Ghali in the next day or so that we absolutely cannot accept that," another U.S. official said.

UN Pact Gives Iraq Too Much Authority, U.S. Officials Say

Until now, the UN has had 500 lightly armed security guards permitted in move freely around Iraq. According to U.S. officials, the new accord would cut the number of guards to 300 who would be limited to the Kurdish areas in the north and another eight stationed in Baghdad.

In addition, the officials said, the guards in Baghdad and all other UN personnel ontside the north would have to work inside Iraqi government offices and would be required to use Iraqi communications that would be susceptible to interference and monitoring. The ques-tion of how the UN agencies would ob-

The basis for the UN presence in northern Iraq is Security Council Resolution 668 adopted in April 1991 and stating that Baghdad's repression of the Kurds threatens "international peace and security."

U.S. officials have maintained that Resolution 668 is the only authority the UN needs to carry out relief activities inside Iraq. However, in deference to other UN members who wanted that anthority spelled out, the Bush administra-tion acquiesced to UN officials negotiating a memorandum of understanding

The original agreement expired several months ago, and the new one negotiated by Mr. Grant was intended to serve as a

"The word from the UN people who

they could get," one of the U.S. officials said. "But if that's it, we will insist that operations continue under the authority of 668 and the heck with a new memoran

If the latest agreement goes unchal-lenged, the U.S. officials said, President Saddam Hussein would be encouraged to defy the UN in other areas such as challenging the right of UN weapons inspectors to search out nuclear and conventional arms that are supposed to be destroyed under the terms of the ceasefire agreement that ended the Gulf War.

The Iraqis have made several attempts to defy UN inspections, but usually have backed down in the face of U.S. threats

to take military action.

However, last July, the UN bowed to an Iraqi demand that no American, British or French citizens be part of a team inspecting its Agriculture Ministry.

# German Company Says

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With 177,000 staff in more than 120 countries. Robert Bosch GmbH said it felt ubliged to call for tolerance and recognition of the

Bosch, which employs more than 20,000 foreigners in Germany alone, urged its staff to preserve an atmosphere of respect and tolerance between workers of all nation-

Neo-Nazi gangs have staged in-creasingly vicious attacks on homes for asylom-seekers throughout Germany since the country was united in October 1990 and foreigners have been attacked in the

alleged gasoline bomb attack on a hostel for Vietnamese workers, severely burning one resident. The police in Eastern Germany's

bombs from a moving car into a hostel in the town of Koblenz. Two of the accused had admitted

statement said.

BUSH: Shift in Tone, Not Fortunes

#### tivists Serge and Beate Klarsfeld. The chief prosecutor for Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania state. Alexander Prechtel, said the three were suspected of breaking the

peace, resisting police and freeing prisoners in police custody. (Reuters, AP)

# As Fence-Mender

with Britain over European monetary policy had been resolved by the state visit of Queen Elizabeth II to Germany.

that her mere presence has put relations back on track.

Britain has been frustrated with Germany's tight mooetary policy. which critics say has dragged down

economies throughout the Europe-an Community. London withdrew the pound last month from the EC exchange-rate mechanism, which is based on the Deutsche mark.

In Rostock, the amhorities set lose to sacrifice their postwar free 43 French Jewish protesters friendship to feuding. She stressed but continued to hold three after a that London wanted to work close-

# Hate Hurts Business.

#### Bonn Aide Sees **Oueen Elizabeth**

BONN — Foreign Minister Klans Kinkel of Germany said Tuesday that tensions in relations

The queen has no political man-date, Mr. Kinkel said in a radio interview, but her prestige in Britain and around the world is so great

"I regard it as a stroke of luck that this visit, which was planned long ago, is happening right now," Mr. Kinkel added.

Queen Elizabeth said after arriving in Bonn on Monday that Britain and Germany had too much to

#### STUTTGART — The Bosch electronics group said Tuesday that violence against foreigners was harming Germany's international

"Xenophobia contradicts the principles of human coexistence and does not do justice to the achievements of our foreign staff, it said in a statement. "It damages the image of our country and of

Four German neo-Nazis were ar-rested Tuesday in Dresden for an

Saxony state said the four rightists were accused of throwing the

to the crime, saying they were moti-vated by xenophobia, the police

# he returned Mr. Bush's fire, round

(Continued from page 1) denial, and the impact of that ex-change was difficult to discern. For the first time since the cam-

paign began, the president kept his concentration sharp. There was "a pattern," "this pattern," "your pat-tern" of indecision and inconsistency, he argued, in an effort to fix that word and the ideas he associated with it firmly in voters' minds as a description of Mr. Clinton.

Twitting Mr. Rush for having said that his chief of staff, James A. Baker 3d, would take charge of a second-term economic program Mr. Clinton said be would take charge of such a program in a Clinton administration. Demonstrating unwonted definess, the president shot back, "That's what worries

for round. It was the president, he said, who had signed a big tax increase after promising not to, and the president who embraced Ronald Reagan's economic policies after denouncing them as "voodoo

Mr. Clinton also found a number of ways to suggest that he and Mr. Perot were talking about the issues while Mr. Bush sought to return to the kind of personal attacks that voters have complained about.

Clearly, Mr. Bush and his strategists had concluded that he had to get tough. In his own terms, he did so, taking the fight to Mr. Clinton with lines like, watch your wallet, because his figures don't add up."

But in the end, the president is not a slasher, any more than Mr. Clinton. That role belongs to Mr.

#### But the Democratic candidate's Perot in this year's electoral melocomposure was never shaken, and

#### **DEBATE:** Voters Shrug at Jabs (Continued from page 1)

strengthen the Republican Party's prospects in the South, he was forced to defend his administration's policy toward Iraq before the debate challenge by Mr. Perot, the Dallas businessman running as an

Mr. Perot, who opposed the Gulf War, unexpectedly challenged Mr. Bush to release the administration's written instructions to the U.S. ambassador to Iraq supposed ly delivered before the amb met in July 1990 with Saddam Hussein, the Iraqi leader, on the eve of Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait.

But there is no evidence that any vritten instructions existed or were submitted to Ambassador April Glaspie, according to The Wash-On Tuesday, Mr. Bush said that

"every single paper, including the secretary of state's notes, which is imprecedented, was taken up to the United States Congress and looked at in detail." The president said his chief nf

staff, James A. Baker 3d, explained this to Mr. Perot after the debate. to spell it," he said. "f considered spelling it k-w-o-r-k. Mr. Baker was the president's sec-Then during the fall, I was paging through "Finnegans retary of state until this past sum-

Also on Tuesday, the State Department flatly denied a range of assertions by Mr. Perot regarding U.S. policy toward Iraq.
Mr. Bush's overriding debate

theme, and the theme likely to be repeated at every opportunity in the final two weeks of the campaign, is that Mr. Clinton has displayed a "pattern" of inconsistency in dealing with his past and his da, Kentucky, New Jersey, Maine position on issues.

"You cannot flip-flop on the is-sues every single time," the president told a rally in Norcross, Georgia. "It is his pattern of trying to be all things to all people."

Mr. Clinton sought to focus on economic issues Monday night, and on Tuesday he continued that focus as he campaigned in Illinois and Wisconsin. "I have the best economic plan,"

home these last two weeks." At a huge rally in Chicago, Mr. Clinton argued that the president had resorted to political maneuver-

When you strip it all away, there was a clear difference," Mr. Clinton told the crowd. "After four years in which most people are working harder for less and unemployment is up and hope has been destroyed, they can't run on their record, they have no vision for the future. So everything has become

He accused the president of using the State Department "for po-litical purposes" — a reference in mistakes acknowledged by the departmeot in its recent search through Mr. Clinton's passport file.

Both candidates have promised nonstop campaigning up to the Nov. 3 election. Mr. Clinton, with a 15- to 18-point lead in national polls, plans forays into traditional-Republican states in the West. including Colnrado, Wyoming, Montana, Washington and Oregon. But Mr. Bush apparently still needs to shore up his base in states that have voted Republican in recent elections. He travels to Floriand Connecticut in coming days.

### WORLD BRIEFS

# Major Cedes More Ground on Mines To Avert Parliamentary Date:

LONDON (Reuters) — Prime Minister John Major made further concessions Tuesday in an attempt to avert a mutiny in his Conservative Party over a mass closure of Britain's coal mines.

Mr. Major acted to block a campaign by the opposition Labor Party, which had hoped to inflict an embarrassing defeat on the government by attracting angry Conservatives to vote with it in a parliamentary debate Wednesday.

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The prime minister, already under severe pressure over the deep economic recession, said the decision to close 2t collieries early near year would be subject to a wide-ranging review, which would involve Parlia. ment's Trade and Industry Committee.

Labor, whose motion had initially attracted support from several Conservatives, had demanded referral to the committee. Labor polici-

#### NATO to Chart Peacekeeping Role

GLENEAGLES, Scotland (Reuters) — Defense ministers from the North Atlantic Treaty Organization agreed on Tuesday to draw up firm plans for peacekeeping operations across Europe and to involve their former enemies from the collapsed Warsaw Pact.

Volker Rithe of Germany and Nevzat Ayaz of Turkey said the alliance's military committee was ordered to prepare danger scenarios and detailed peacekeeping responses, including specialized training of forms by December.

Defense ministers from NATO and the former Soviet-led Warsaw Pac will meet early next year to involve forces from both sides in the use of peacekeeping troops to help end conflicts such as the civil war in the former Yngoslavia, they said.

#### Sihanouk Said to Balk at Presidency

PHNOM PENH (AFF) — Prince Norodom Sihanouk told a Supreme National Council meeting Tuesday that he refused to be elected Cambodia's president, diplomatic sources said. They said the prince complished that the council, which he heads, was being left out of an initiative endorsed by the UN Security Council to unblock the peace process. The mercurial prince could change his mind before the May elections, the peace process that the peace process is the peace process.

the diplomats said, but his remarks were being taken seriously since his participation is considered key to the prospects for peace. The Security Council gave Japan and Thailand until the end of the month to bring the Khmer Rouge back into the peace process. The Khmer Rouge is the sole faction that has refused to carry out last year's Paris peace treaty.

#### French Schools Send Rice to Somalia

PARIS (Reuters) - Millions of French children took bags of rice to school on Tuesday in a nationwide collection for starving children in

School on Tuesday in a nanonwise conceded for Starving change in Somalia, but some saw the project as a gimmick.

The operation — "French children for Somalia" — launched by Education Minister Jack Lang and Health and Humanitarian Action Minister Bernard Kouchner, the Post Office, French railways and the United Nations Children's Fund, was aimed at collecting 10,000 tons of rice, enough to feed a million Somali children for two months.

Critics called the collection a gimmick and an abuse of the state school system. Some questioned whether the rice would ever reach the starving Somalis. Others said France would do better to send surplus flour produced by its own hard-hit farmers.

#### Suharto Plans to Seek a 6th Term

JAKARTA (AP) - President Suharto, 71, has agreed to the ruling Golkar party's plan to nominate him for a south five-year term, the party chairman Wahono said Tuesday.

"If the people want it and if I am entrusted, then it is my duty to fulfill the will," Mr. Wahono quoted Mr. Suharto as saying.

"The party's observations in the Indonesian provinces show that the people still want him to be the next president," Mr. Wahono said before celebrations of the party's 28th anniversary. Party sources said the plan to nominate Mr. Suharto would be included in a 10-point political statement to be issued during the celebrations.

#### For the Record

Slovak officials postponed damming of the Dammbe for a hydroclectric project after consultations with the European Community. Opponents say the dam will pollute drinking water and ruin marshlands and wildlife. Environment Minister Jozef Zlocha said Tuesday that the damming. could still be carried out by Nov. 7 and that there would be further talks' involving experts from Czechoslovakia and Hungary.

#### TRAVEL UPDATE

Alitalia canceled 10 percent of its flights Tuesday because of o six-hour strike by pilots over a contractual dispute. Alitalia pilots plan a full 24-

World aviation experts said congestion at major airports around the world is getting worse, costing airlines and passengers billions of dollars in delayed flights and lost business opportunities. Bottlenecks at airports and in the sky are threatening to throttle airline growth, according to delegates at an international aviation conference in Bombay. (Reuters)

Knala Lampur sirport was back operating at about 87 percent of normal evels Tuesday, five days after a fire destroyed the control tower, Transport Minister Ling Liong Sik said. Operations are expected to return to normal in the next few days.

Terrential rains returned to north-central Italy on Tuesday, flooding-large areas of Tuscany and parts of Venice, including St. Mark's Square A woman was swept away when ber car was overturned by floodwaters in the Tuscan town of Abbadia and is still missing.

(Reuters):



North America

Two areas of stormy weather will blow across Europe during the next several days.
The first will be over the artisch tales, producing high winds and heavy rain Friday and in Tokyo Saturday. A second area of heavy rain will occur over southeastern Europe and the Ultraine.

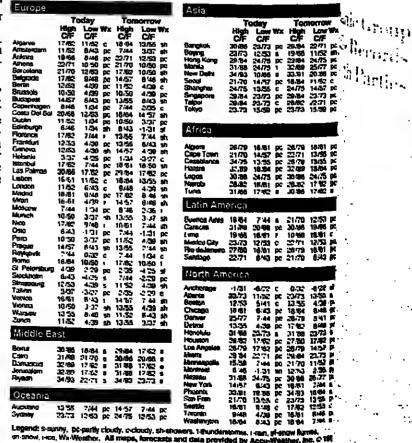
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# KELLY: Companion Killed Petra Kelly, Then Himself, the Police Say

(Continued from page 1) left temple with a single bullet from his .38caliber pistol while she lay sleeping. Mr. Bastian then used the pistol to fire a single shot into

Mr. Otto said the police could not determine whether Miss Kelly had acquiesced to her own The police said no oote was found at the

house. Tuesday, the Green Party released the

text of an open letter Mr. Bastian wrote last month decrying anti-foreigner violence in Ger-"Evil memories of my youth in the 1930s are awakened," he wrote. "Today, as then, a shameful number of good citizens watch murderous arsonists without acting, often with barely disguised Schadenfreude." Schadenfreu-

de means receiving pleasure from the pain of "Petra was depressed because she had no leading role anymore," said Wilhelm Knabe, a

founding member of the Greens. The government of Chancellor Helmut Knhl had no comment on the deaths. But Rita Süssmuth, president of the Bundestag, said Miss

Kelly and Mr. Bastian were committed to "a

GENEVA -- The United Na-

tions refugee agency said Tuesday

that it had been forced to suspend

relief convoys along the only all-

weather road into Bosnia-Herzego-

vina because uncontrolled warlords

were deliberately targeting aid

The suspension leaves an inter-

national airlift to Sarajevo as Bos-

In Bosnia, fighting continued,

including clashes near a United

Nations relief supply center of Vi-

tez northwest of Sarajevo. In the

Bosnian capital, UN forces com-

plained to the Bosnian Serbs after

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worldwide political order without fear of war, of traditional compromise - making West torment and deprivation."

She said Miss Kelly's "relentlessness led to a feeling of personal abandonment which one could almost call tragic."

A slight, frail woman who was hospitalized several times for exhaustion, Miss Kelly emerged from six years in a Bavarian coovent. ber college experience in Washington, and work as a volunteer in the presidential campaigns of Robert F. Kennedy and Hubert H. Humphrey to found the Greens in 1972.

The environmental group evolved into a political party in 1979, winning support and opposition - both vociferous - as it mounted huge demonstrations against nuclear power and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's plans to station medium-range nuclear missiles in West Germany. Mr. Bastian was arrested several

The Greens, first elected to the legislature in 1983, became a model for ecological politics in many Western countries and in the East bloc,

times for taking part in protests at U.S. military

where Miss Kelly was often viewed as a heroine In the Bonn legislature, Greens helped

**Bosnia Relief Convoys Halted** 

their Egyptian commander was briefly held at gunpoint Monday.

In Serbia, the Yugoslav federal

gnvernment and Serbia were locked in stalemate over an Interior

Ministry building in Belgrade, with

a legal battle looming rather than

Armed Serbian police officers took over the federal building Sun-

day night in a show of force appar-

ently orchestrated by supporters of

the hard-line Serbian president,

The Serbian side says the dispute

is a question of property rights and

should be cleared up soon. But the

federal public prosecutor's office

said it would sue the Serbian Interi-

or Ministry for usurping property.

refugee agency spokesman, Sylvana Foa, said the convoys —

bringing vital supplies to 1.6 mil-lion people — had been stopped

after two convoys were shelled last

Annther land route, through

As for the relief effort, the UN

an armed showdown.

Slobodan Milosevic.

to adhere to rules and a studied informality that precluded jackets and ties and allowed Miss Kelly to wear T-shirts while meeting visiting Within the party, Miss Kelly and Mr. Bas-tian's prominent roles were mistrusted by so-called fundamentalist Greens, hard-core envi-

Germany the world leader in recycling and other ecological advances — and rebellious

theatrics, including disruptive antics, a refusal

ronmentalists who opposed the very ootion of leadership and insisted that the party adhere to clash with the police during a demon of its too officers bers of the legislature. By 1990, when the Greens marginalized

themselves by becoming the only German party to oppose reunification with Communist East Germany, Miss Kelly and Mr. Bastian were virtual outsiders in their own party.

The long delay in finding their bodies — as much as three weeks, the police said — "showed how they had been abandoned and pushed to the fringes, which they never deserved," said Konrad Weiss, a legislator whose Eastern German Alliance 90 Party represents Green ideas in the Bonn legislature. "It showed how cold the change German society through a clumsy mix political climate has become in Germany."

#### Dutch Curtail Refugee Influx From Yugoslavia slipped off a ravine on Sunday, has

AMSTERDAM - Saving that it is nearing its capacity to shelter victims from the war in Yugoslavia. the Netherlands will scale back its relief efforts and halt the bringing of refugees into the country.

The suspension means the only Previously the Dutch had sent source of relief supplies for Bosnia buses and trains to Yugoslavia to help people flee. Now, officials say, is through the Sarajevo airlift, which resumed on Oct. 3, a month relatives of refugees already in the Netherlands will be admitted only after the downing of an Italian carif they make their own way to the But officials said the airlift, which managed to bring 840 tons of

Some 12,000 people from the food to the besieged Bosnian capiformer Yugoslav republics have sought refuge in the Netherlands— both legally and illegally—since tal last week, is only meeting half the city's requirements, let alone The UN relief agency said it was

the fighting began. The government recently reject-ed a request by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to take in some or all of 1,600 refugees from Bosnia-Herzegovina.

# NAMES: A Dash of Whimsy in Quarky Science Terms

those of the rest of the country.

forced to interrupt its operation after the deliberate shelling of two

of its convoys Friday on the road to

since been cut off by fighting be-

"Today nothing is moving, nothing at all by land," the spokesman

said at a news conference. "We

could be moving convoy after con-

voy, but instead we're counting ev-

ery damn truck we get in."

tween Muslim and Croat forces.

(Continued from page 1) than any other thing I have ever done," Mr. Dressler

said, including accusations of grandstanding. "It shocks me," be said. "There is such resentment against the idea that a scientist might be playing to the andience that if any, we really should be playing to -

namely, the public." "Black hole," the term for a star that has collapsed to such a compressed state that not even light can escape its gravity, was coined at a poblic lecture in 1967 by John Archibald Wheeler, the Princetoo University physicist.

The term, Mr. Wheeler said in an interview, was actually suggested by someone else — he cannot as a substitute for "gravitationally completely collapsed star."

"I thought it wasn't occessary to use pretentious scientific language," Mr. Gell-Mann explained, "especially since the terms people usually make up don't look so apt after a period of wasn't occessary to use pretentious scientific language," Mr. Gell-Mann explained, "especially since the terms people usually make up don't look so apt after a period of wasn't occessary to use pretentious scientific language," Mr. Gell-Mann explained, "especially since the terms people usually make up don't look so apt after a period of wasn't occessary to use pretentious scientific language," Mr. Gell-Mann explained, "especially since the terms people usually make up don't look so apt after a period of wasn't occessary to use pretentious scientific language," Mr. Gell-Mann explained, "especially since the terms people usually make up don't look so apt after a period of wasn't occessary to use pretentious scientific language," Mr. Gell-Mann explained, "especially since the terms people usually make up don't look so apt after a period of wasn't occessary to use pretentious scientific language," Mr. Gell-Mann explained, "especially since the terms people usually make up don't look so apt after a period of wasn't occessary to use pretentious scientific language," Mr. Gell-Mann explained, "especially since the terms people usually make up don't look so apt after a period of wasn't look so remember who - during a meeting and was intended

The modern trend toward whimsical names was probably started by the high-energy physicists who by 11. But of course you can cut it. So why call it an 1960 had quarried most of the Greek alphabet in atom?"

naming the zoo of subatomic particles they had found. In 1963, to name a quite different category of particle, Murray Gell-Mann, a physicist at the California Institute of Technology, adopted the name "quark."

Although it has often been said that he borrowed

the term from James Joyce's novel "Finnegans Wake," Mr. Gell-Mann insisted in an interview that the novel merely provided its spelling. "During the spring and summer of 1963, I thought of them as quarks, but I didn't know how I was going-

Wake" and saw the line, Three quarks for Muster Joyce's pronunciation, rhyming with "lark," wasn't quite right, but Mr. Gell-Mann convinced himself be

"The word 'atom' is a very good example," he said. "It was an ancient Greek term, meaning 'you can't cut

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folcker Unmoved by Bush's Economic Plan

NEW YORK - Paul A. Volcker, former chairman of the Federal leserve, is critical of President George Bush's program to revive the J.S. economy. "I don't think Mr. Bush's economic plan is very redible," he said.

Mr. Volcker, who did not offer an assessment of the economic noposals of Governor Bill Cinton or Ross Perot, played down peculation that he would be asked by a Clinton administration to be freasury secretary. "There's nothing to all those stories," he said. Mr. Volcker spoke at a dinner sponsored by the Public Securities Mr. Volcker spoke at a dinner sponsored by the Public Securities
Association, where be was one of the recipients of the distinguished bublic service awaru.

Clinton Assures Korean He Won't Cut Troops

Clinton Assures Korean Described a South Korean opposition party

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that as president he would not reduce U.S. force levels in South
Korea, according to a letter released Tuesday.

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"I stated early on in my campaign that the United States should continue to keep its forces in Northeast Asia as long as North Korea presents a threat to our South Korean ally," Mr. Clinton said in a letter sent to Kim Dae Jung, leader of the Democratic Party.

The letter was released to counter a South Korean Foreign Ministry report saving that a Clinton administry report saving that a clinton and clinton administry report saving that a clin

Ministry report saying that a Clinton administration would be likely to speed up a scheduled phasedown of U.S. troops in the country to speed up a sentential plans from the current 36,000 level.

Quayle in '96: His Wife Hopes He'll Go for it WASHINGTON — Marilyn Quayle said Tuesday tha she hoped her husband would run for president in four years, even though from my personal standpoint I'm not sure its something that I would want."

But she said on ABC's "Good Morning America" that her focus was on current race "because it's really important to the nation and its important that George Bush be allowed to continue the leadership "I haven't looked beyond 1992," she said. But she added: "Things

have been so exciting since I married Dan, and so different from whatever I thought it would be, that I've learned not to plan too far ahead."

Pressed about a possible presidential run in 1996, she said: "From my personal standpoint. I'm not sure its something that I would want, but for the nation, he is so good at finding solutions to problems that I really hope that he does."

(AP)

#### At NASA, Gore Vows Space Station Billions

GREENBELT, Maryland — Senator Al Gore said a Clinton would seek to spend \$35 billion by the end of the administration would seek to spend \$35 billion by the end of the decade to build an orbiting space station, in part to replace jobs lost in military industries.

In one of the Democratie campaign's strongest statements on Space Station Freedom, the Democratic vice presidential candidate said that building the manned orbiting laboratory would be a good Plans to Seek abil

investment in science and industry.

"The space station will serve as an anchor for the aerospace industry, particularly during a time when highly skilled defense workers are being displaced by cutbacks," Mr. Gore told an audience of NASA workers at the Goddard Space Flight Center,

#### **Quote-Unquote**

"As head of the Department of State, I am responsible for its actions and I am not going to tolerate letting junior officers or junior officials in the State Department be hung out to dry. If mistakes were made, here's where the buck stops." — Acting Secretary of State Lawrence S. Eagleburger, on the dispute over the department's expedited search for records relating to Bill Clinton's activities during his graduate student days in Europe.

(AP)

# Bush Steps Up the Attack, but Takes Some Hits of His Own

By Dan Balz

and Ann Devroy Washington Post Service EAST LANSING, Michigan -

With his presidency on the line, President George Bush in the final presidential debate mounted a sharp assault on Bill Clinton's record as governor of Arkansas and his changing positions on the draft. But Mr. Bush found himself under attack for the economy and for "coddling" President Saddam Hussein of Iraq before the invasion of

Knwait The third and final debate Monday night turned into a free-for-all as Mr. Bush, the Republican, Mr. Clinton, the Democrat, and Ross Perot, an independent, took their last face-to-face shots at one another before entering the final two weeks of a campaign in which Mr. Clinton continues to maintain a wide lead over the president, with Mr. Perot a distant third.

Mr. Bush was the aggressor much of the night, but it was Mr. Perot's attacks on the president over Iraq that created the debate's sharpest moments. All three candidates appeared testy at times as they came under pointed questioning from the panel of reporters and from one another on whether they had the proposals and personality to lead the country.
As Mr. Bush tried to undermine

lic confidence in Mr. Clinton, Mr. Perot turned on the president in a series of fierce exchanges. He called on Mr. Bush to open up the records to show what Mr. Perot said was the administration's written instructions to April C. Glaspie, the U.S. ambassador to Iraq, before her meeting with Mr. Saddam shortly before the invasion of ment spending.

Vice President Dan Quayle waving from the floor of the New York Stock Exchange on the fifth anniversary of the 1987 stock collapse. that she received written instruc- you hear him say we're going to tax

Mr. Perot also said the Republican Party was responsible for going to "extraordinarily sick lengths" to destroy his character earlier this After a subdued performance in the second debate last week, Mr. Bush repeatedly attacked Mr. Clin-

ton on Monday night as a believer in "trickle-down government" who would increase taxes and govern-

"Mr. and Mrs. America, when

tions for the meeting, which was only the rich, watch your wallet bush shot back. That he'll do for because his figures don't add up the United States what he did for and be's going to sock it to the Arkansas. We do not want to be the middle class and lower," Mr. Bush

> Mr. Clinton called his economic program a departure from both trickle-down economics of the Reagan-Bush era and tax-and-spend policies of the Democrats. He said Mr. Bush had abdicated responsibility for economic policy and added that in a Clinton administration, he - not one of his aides - would be in charge of domestic and eco-

Mr. Chinton found himself on the defensive much of the night, as Mr. Bush charged that the Democratic nominee had shifted posi-Agreement to automobile fuel efficiency standards.

As Mr. Bush pressed his criticism of Mr. Clintoo's changing sto-ry on how be avoided the draft during the Vietnam War, the Artions or attempted to straddle is- But he said he could be commander

> might answer the questions a little better," he said.

"That's what worries me." Mr. 10n replied. "He said trickle-down economics was voodoo economics, now he's its biggest practitioner."

kansas governor aeknowledged that be had mishandled the issue. sues ranging from his draft record in chief despite his lack of service. to the North American Free Trade "If I had it to do over again, I

"I can't believe he's accusing me of getting on both sides," Mr. Clin-stumbled over the draft because he Bush said.

that had never come up, but the issue had been brought up repeatedly during his gubernatorial cam-

paigns in Arkansas. While Mr. Clinton accused Mr. Bush of "coddling" the Iraqi leader before the Gulf War, Mr. Perot accused the president of giving away the northern part of Kuwait to appease Mr. Saddam and then going to war only after the Iraqi tried to take the whole country. He suggested that the Bush administration now was hiding evidence that would prove that charge.

Hitting again at Mr. Bush's strongest point — his handling of foreign crises — Mr. Perot also accused him of botching the invasion of Panama and the eventual capture of General Manuel Antonio Noriega, the Panamanian leader who was eventually convicted in the United States on drug charges.

Mr. Perot also accused the president of "creating" Mr. Saddam. "If you create Saddam over a 10-yearperiod, using billions of dollars of U.S. taxpayer money, step up to the plate and say it was a mistake." Mr.

Ambassador Glaspie has testified and the administration has acknowledged that she did tell Mr. Saddam that the U.S. did not want to get iovolved in Iraq's border disputes with Kuwait, but the administration has denied that this was meant to be a go-ahead for an invasion by Iraq.

Mr. Bush, in a forceful exception to Mr. Perot's contentions, said: "That gets to the national honor We did not say to Saddam Hussein. Ross, you can take the northern

part of Kuwait."
"That is absolutely absurd," Mr.

# Senators Ask if Clandestine CLA Fronts Aided Iraq Buildup

By Elaine Sciolino New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - As part of its invesigation of a politically sensitive bank-fraud case involving Iraq, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence has asked the CIA whether American agencies set up clandestine front companies that may have helped Iraq's arms buildup, according to U.S. officials.

The request was prompted in part by a Georgia defense lawyer who maintains that at least two companies — one in Virginia, the other in New Jersey — were used by intelligence agencies to help supply weap-ons or equipment to Iraq-as part of a U.S. effort to win favor with President Saddam Hussein's government, officials said.

At the same time, however, the lawyer offered oo strong evidence to support his

P. Drogoul, who had pleaded guilty to commercial cover for an intelligence activi-masterminding a bank fraud scheme involving billions of dollars in loans to Iraq.

Mr. Drogoul later withdrew his guilty plea. Senator David L. Boren, Democrat of Oklahoma, who heads the Senate committee, and Senator Frank H. Murkowski, Republican of Alaska, vice chairman, sent a classified letter last month to the CIA director, Robert M. Gates, asking for in-formation on the matter, Mr. Gates has not replied, the officials said.

The committee wants to know whether American companies, including those named by Mr. Drogoul's lawyer, Bobby Lee Cook, were used improperly by the CIA, the National Security Agency or other intelligence agencies to collect information on Irag.

assertions, which were made last month

It would not necessarily be illegal for the during a sentencing hearing of Christopher

CIA to set up companies to provide private bank fraud, the officials said. Lawmakers by the Italian government,

But the committee wants to know if the companies provided intelligence officials with evidence of the bank fraud or of weapons or technology sales to iraq. That would raise the question of whether the information was passed on to law-enforcement authorities.

There is another, potentially more explosive issue that the committee wants to resolve; whether the companies were used as a way to circumvent legal restrictions on weapons sales to Iraq.

reports with agents of the FBI in Rome. Thus, the FBI, as well as the Justice Department, may have had access to infor-

said the station chief shared many of his

mation suggesting that the Rome headquarters of Banca Nazionale del Lavoro the firm's head. Dale Toler, and that Mr. was involved in the fraud. Nonetheless, the Toler had used the Atlanta bank to finance Justice Department sought an indictment shipments of machinery and twols to Iraq. charging Mr. Drogoul with masterminding

A team of investigators from the committee conducted a second day of sworp testimony at the CIA on Monday. The Senate team also hopes to gain access to all As part of its investigation, the Senate FBI and State Department reporting on committee is also eager to question the the bank's activities in an effort to deter-CIA's former Rome station chief about mine whether officials at the Rome headwhether he or his superiors had informa- quarters of the bank knew about the the army.

One of the firms was RD&D of Vienna, Virginia, a machine-tool company that is defunct, Arthur G, Wade Jr., the head of the prosecution task force, said during cross-examination that he had interviewed Toler had used the Atlanta bank to finance

Mr. Wade said RD&D was not a CIA front company but declined to comment when asked whether Mr. Toler told him that he worked for the National Security

Mr. Cook also mentioned Rexon Techoology Corp., a company in Wayne, New Jersey, that makes artillery shell fuses for

#### Away From the Hustings · Married couples living with their own children now constitute only one in six New York City households. The trend is neither new to

one in SX New York. But an analysis of the 1990 census has found that the typical family has been radically redefined. The share of married couples living with their own children in the city declined from 19.2 percent of all households in 1980 to less than 17 percent in 1990. The percentage of so-called traditional families was lower only

• Mayor Richard M. Daley plans a crackdown on gang violence that has engulfed public housing projects in Chicago. He was responding to public revulsion at the shooting to death of a boy, 7. The plan includes the closure of 4 of 33 high-rises in the Cabrini-Green development, including the building from which a sniper shot Dantrell Davis as he walked to school. At least 61 percent of unmarried teenagers planning abortions tell at least one of their parents of their decision even without the legal

requirement to do so, a national survey revealed • A soft-drink salesman unaware he was in the midst of a robbery in a grocery stores in Los Angeles was shot and killed as dozens of

customers looked on in horror. About 86 million Americans still breath unhealthy air in cities across the country even though urban air pollution is declining, the Environmental Protection Agency said. Statistics said 41 cities and counties found to have violated federal smog standards last year now comply. The improvement may have been largely because of a cooler

summer in 1991, the last year of the three-year monitoring period. A Louisiana immate cannot be forced to take drugs to make him same enough to be executed, the state Supreme Court decided. The man's attorney said this makes it unlikely he will ever be put to death. The court blocked the execution of Michael Owen Perry for the murders of his parents and three other relatives. It said forcing him to take drugs would violate his privacy and would be cruel and unusual

• A prism-studded satellite designed to reflect laser beams from Earth is aboard the Columbia shuttle set for lift-off Thursday. The Laser Geodynamics Satellite, or Lageos, is a 900-pound (about 410-kilogram) sphere that will be released on the second day of the 10day flight. The Italian-made satellite is covered with prisms to reflect laser beams fired from around the world. Geologists will measure the time it takes for them to travel to the satellite and back, and thus will track the shifting of Earth's crustal plates.

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# And the Winner

NEW YORK -- Even more peo ple watched the third presidential debate than watched the first two

The four major networks had

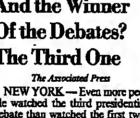
million households, compared with 18 million households last Thursday and 17.5 households for the

and CBS 10.8 rating and 17 share. Fox had a 3.1 rating and 5 share These overnight figures survey 25 cities and reflect about half of TV households in the United States.

# Of the Debates? The Third One

combined 42.6 rating and 66 percent share of audience for Monday night's 90-minute face-off between President George Bush, Bill Clinton and Ross Perot.

For this survey, one ratings point represents 436,260 TV homes, while a share is the percentage of homes tuned in to a network in the time period. The total debate audience was even greater than the numbers reported, since those rat-



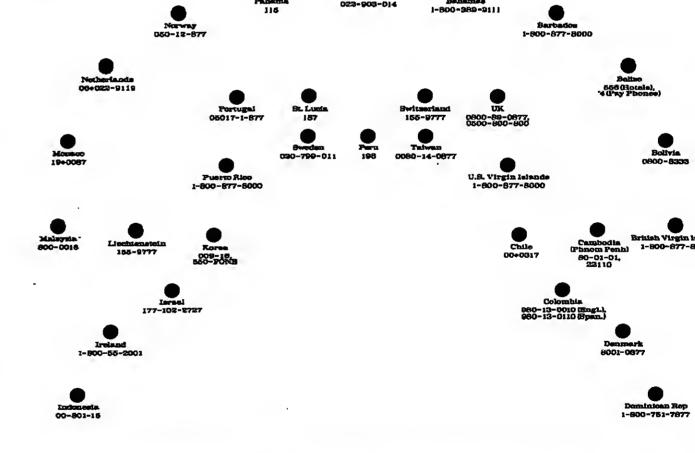
according to preliminary Nielser ratings released Tuesday.

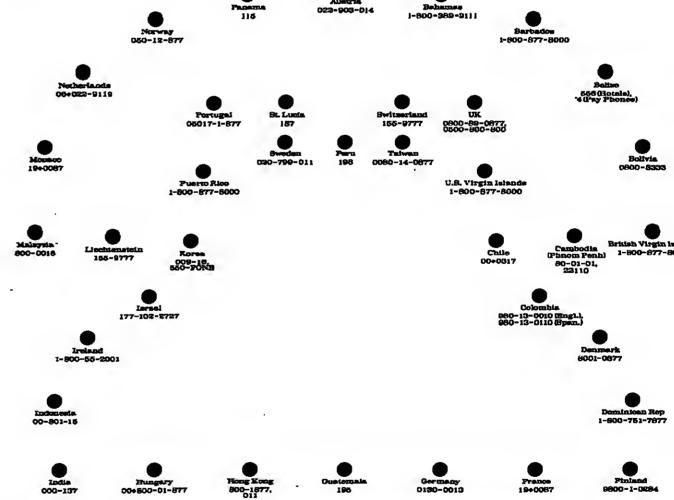
That translates into about 18.6

11 debate, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co. rating service.

Monday night, ABC led with a
16.8 rating and 26 share, followed
by NBC's 11.9 rating and 18 share

ings do not reflect the viewers tuned into PBS, CNN, C-SPAN and Univision, which also carried the debate live. Those figures were not available.





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#### **Assails Records** Of Both Parties Los Angeles Times Service WASHINGTON — A national atino group has criticized both rajor political parties for ignoring he Latino vote, claiming persons Spanish heritage "are virtually sable" in the Republican and Imocratic presidential campaign aganizations and on their plat-

The National Council of La aza said in a report that neither resident George Bush nor his Democratic opponent, Governor sill Clinton, had addressed issues if special interest to Latinos or had

Hispanic Group

de more than one appearance at major Hispanic conference The White House reacted by alling a news briefing to report hat Mr. Bush had filled about 280 note than any other administra-ion. About 120 of these positions, 43 percent, have been filled with atino women, the White House

"President Bush's record on Hisanic appointments is second to one," said Constance Homer, a



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# **Prying Open the Skies**

British Airways and USAir. Lufthansa partners. Bargaining power shifted toward and Continental. KLM and Northwest, the United States. The British government, Since July, European airlines have been fearful that KLM would take business from lining up to combine operations with weak British Airways, may now be willing to nego-U.S. carriers. If the "mergers" go through, thate a version of open skies. Ditto the Gerwhich is far from certain, Americans can man government on behalf of Lufthausa. expect lower fares and better service.

air fares. The sudden rash of proposals has begun discussions for negotiating avia-reflects the first tangible fruits of a shrewd tion rights with the United States as a bloc. administration strategy to pry open closed European airline markets. If the strategy pays off, powerful carriers would for the first time be allowed to go head-to-head on international air routes. That would be great news for travelers everywhere.

The Bush administration has fought for "open skies" treaties giving European and U.S. carriers unfettered access to each other's airports. The Europeans refused, fearing that their hloated national carriers were no match boldly signed an open-skies treaty with the mand offsetting British concessions. Netherlands. Looked at narrowly, the treaty appears lopsided. The Dutch gain access to the lunge American market; the United the Image American marker; use Country. But tries. The strategy is not pressy, the strategy is not pressy.

spect lower fares and better service.

Nothing assures complete "open skies,"
But there is more at stake than domestic but there is hope. The European Community That could lead to reciprocal access.

American and United remain skeptical and oppose the British Airways-USAir bid unless it is substantially altered. British Airways, they point out, would not only enter U.S. markets but also gain unfair advantage. For example, British Airwaysand USAir would be allowed to "code share," in effect giving passengers who first board USAir and then switch to British Airways the impression that they have remained on the same for low-cost behemoths like American and airline — a huge marketing advantage. But United. In July, however, the United States the administration can be expected to de-

Unable to negotiate open skies with all of Europe, the administration has emberked on

### **Asia Democracy Radio**

Few people doubt that foreign broadcasts contributed powerfully to the democratic ferment in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union. Why should not American radio programs do the same in the still Communist countries of Asia and for the unfree Burmese? A congressional commission makes a we case for an Asia Democracy Radio or Asia Information Radio to provide the kind of coverage offered in the West by Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty.

Such programming could fill a conspicuons gap at modest cost. "Radio is an instrument of peace, not a weapon of war," declares the Commission on Broadcasting to the People's Republic of China, "It is inexpensive and it maims no one." And radio is king in China. There were 200 million sets in 1989, compared with 30 million television sets. Of 350 hours of foreign broadcasting to China each week, only 15 percent is in Chinese — and more than half of that comes from Taiwan, much of it hard-line propaganda. Hence there is room for balanced, professionally prepared programming, in native languages, that would cover internal developments in China - and in North Korea, Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam and Burma. The commission's report follows the very

different recommendations of a high-level panel concerned with the future of Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty, based in Munich. That panel urged unwisely that these stations be phased out and television be given higher priority than radio. But that overvalues television, slights radio and too readily dismisses the case for independently managed stations that would cover day-today events within listeners' own countries.

A majority on the Asia commission reasonably holds that the proposed new service should be organized like Radio Free Europe, under a separate board, independent of Voice of America, thus assuring diversity of voices. Part of the start-up cost could be met, the report argues, by closing down TV Marti, a failed Cuban service that Fidel Castro has effectively jammed.

Given America's immense political and economic stake in the Pacific, Asia De-

mocracy Radio deserves a trial.

# **Second Euro-Thoughts**

European unity, the European Community's creasingly powerful bureaucracy. summit in Birmingham last Friday demon-strated its loss of momentum. The immediate reach wide areas of daily life, the absence of question is whether the Maastricht treaty will ever be ratified, committing the 12 countries to a common currency and political union. The treaty is in trouble, first of all, because rules that collide with cherished local tradiall the governments of the major West European countries are in trouble.

The people running Europe are preoccupied by anxieties at home that leave them absence of political responsibility. There is little leeway to deal with such things as trade, an elected European Parliament, but so far in which the United States is interested. Those anxieties arise mainly from the poor performance of their economies, aggravated by the unsettling consequences of the Cold War's sudden end — the same reasons why the United States, in its present mood, is similarly disinclined to do much for Europe.

But the plan for Europe according to Maastricht has defects that even prosperity would not remedy. The public debate over the treaty has focused the objections clearly, and Europe's leaders, gathered at Birresponse. The central accusation is that the like the prospect very much. Maastricht concept is fatally short on dem-

Rather than advancing the great cause of ocratic governance of the Community's in-

direct and continuous political control is beginning to generate a multitude of griev-ances. A lot have been about mindless new tions in the matter of apples, sausages and so forth. These complaints are not trivial. They are a way of expressing concern about the its powers have been kept extremely limited by the jealous governments.

A basic choice now confronts the Community. If its bureaucracy is to be given more authority, it will need an elected European government to run it -including something like a European prime minister and cabinet. The Maastricht treaty evades that choice, giving the bureaucracy much more power but doing nothing to balance it with stronger democratic institutions. During the past summer, European voters began to think mingham, were less than reassuring in their about that, and a lot of them don't seem to

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

# **Americans Are Tuning In**

Measured by political handicappers' cli-che standards, none of the three presidential candidates committed a dreaded "gaffe" in Monday night's debate. Neither did any of them deliver a decisive knockout punch. Indeed, the three had little to say that they had not already said in their previous joint appearances. Even so, this round was probably as valuable as any other part of the campaign so far. Even if the candidates' tunes don't change much, the audience does. "Public" has been a moving target all year, and now

America is paying attention.

George Bush, while maintaining dignity, seemed stronger and more focused than in debates one and two. He delivered one vintage Bushism, railing at Bill Clinton's "90-90 dsight." But mostly he hewed with discipline to his theme: The public had better watch its wallet against the depredations of his tax-and-spend Democratic opponent.

Bill Clinton, berating Mr. Bush's read-mylips pledge not to raise taxes, came close to making one of his own ("I will not raise taxes on the middle class to pay for these programs"). But be also maintained the personable warmth in which be has, increasingly,

wrapped his invest-and-grow prescriptions. Ross Perot offered more good-natured salesmanship with sentences starting "See," and "Please, folks," and proclaimed that he would spend \$60 million on his campaign. But he was steelier at other moments, nota-

bly in deriding President Bush for mistakes in Panama and Iraq.
All told, Monday night's event offered a
fair summary of all the debates, and the

campaign. Even the format, divided between Jim Lehrer as an admirably skillful single interrogator and a panel of reporters, hlended that of the other debates.

In any case, probably the biggest change at this stage is not what happens on stage but in the audience. While political junkies have been paying close attention for a year or more, "the public" generally has only recently started to do so. But it is doing so more intently than usual.

In 1988, 66 percent of the public reported watching the first debate; this year the figure was 75 percent. What proportion of the public is paying attention to the campaign? At this juncture in 1988, the answer was 34 percent; in 1992, 54 percent. And, reflecting this interest, voter registration is up in every region.
When the candidates first announced so

many debates, they provoked fear of over-load. It is clear that the four debates could have been constructively spaced out. But, even compressed, they have instructed millions eager for instruction. The campaign is far from over; among other things, Ross Perot plans hours more television. But the audience has already been well served.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

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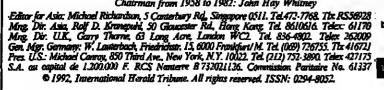
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# Just Say 'No' to Modern-Day Crusades in the Balkans

N ICOSIA — The United States, Western Europe and Russia seem unable to halt the carnage in ex-Yugoslavia. What they can do, if they act swiftly and firmly enough, is to prevent political conflict there from escalating into a Muslim-

Christian religious war. Muslim and Christian powers outside the Balkans have begun to bang the drums and peal the bells for sectarian warfare in the Balkans. Worse, they are mixing arms and munitions with their relief shipments, providing the means to kill along with the means to heal.

Fanning the Balkan flames are the overheated propaganda winds blowing from the Middle East. Religious activism, rampant in countries like Sudan, Egypt, Iran and Leba-non, is spreading westward into En-rope. Talk of "ethnic cleansing" of Christian or Muslim religious adverBy John K. Cooley

Bosnia-Herzegovina, is now heard in Kosovo, Albania, Macedonia and even in those old neighboring enemies, Greece and Turkey.

Since September, when at least one Iranian aircraft was discovered ferrying arms and armed fighters from the Middle East into Croatia to reinforce Bosnian Muslims, some Saudi and Iranian commentators have been advocating jihad, or holy war. The Bosnian fighting, asserted a writer in the Saudi newspaper Ar Riyadh, is a "prelude to the war between Islam and the West."

Although not a single Muslim government has officially supported such an extremist stand, populists all over the Middle East are taking up the call for arms and volunteers. In Turkey, a memorial service at

saries, of the sort well advanced in lstanbul's Byazid Mosque observed the death of the first Bosnian Muslim "martyr" in fighting with the Orthodox Christian Serbs. Excited crowds denounced "Western complicity" in the killing in Bosnia.

Eastward among the self-con-scious Maronite Christian minority in Lebanon, such battle cries set the church bells ringing. According to other Lebanese Christians, the extremist paramilitary group called the Lebanese Forces, instead of turning in its tanks, artillery and other heavy weapons to the Leba-nese Defense Ministry when militias supposedly were disbanded, has sold them to Serbia.

Several shipments, worth perhaps \$30 million in all, are said to have

"Christian" war against Bosnian Muslims, Already the arms dealers who proliferate like locusts in Europe and the Eastern Mediterranean are preparing their wares for the coming confrontation between the

Serbian masters of Kosovo and its ethnic Albanian (Muslim and Christian) majority.

Among the 8 million or so Mus-lims in the Balkan countries, the largest group are the 4.5 million ethnic Albanians in Albania and in the

former Yugoslavia (Kosovo and Macedonia). About 2 million Mus-lims, speakers of Serbo-Croat, remain in Bosnia-Herzegovina and Croatia. In Bulgaria, Greece and Macedonia there are about 900,000. The biggest ethnic-sectarian explosion of the next several months seems

likely to come in Kosovo, unless the United Nations and the rest of Eubeen moved by sea and air toward United Nations and the rest of Eu-Serbia and Montenegro for the rope move quickly to prevent it.

There are more Albanian Muslims in ex-Yugoslavia than in Albania, impoverished by its former Count poverished by its former Communist and isolationist dictators. They comprise about 90 percent of Koso. vo's inhabitants, deprived of auton-omy since 1990 and now subjected to extreme discrimination, if not Bosman-style ethnic cleansing, by their Serbian overlords.

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Kosovo Muslims have begun to bid for clandestine arms aid from the Middle East. They have built an underground organization, and after secret elections in May Ibrahim Rugova of the Democratic League of Kosovo was declared "president" in deliance of Belgrade's rule.

As Arab fighters, notably the U.S.-trained veterans of the anti-Soviet war in Afghanistan, join Islamic mercenaries from places like Pakistani Kashmir, the Serbian "Christian" side has solicited non-Muslim Lebanese and Westerners These are recipes for the explosion of the current conflict into sectarian warfare scarcely seen since the Cruades and the Turkish-Venetian bat-

tles that followed. If the Bush administration, paralyzed by election year politics, and the seemingly impotent European Community governments could now move quickly, this might still be pre-vented. As Hikmet Cetin, foreign minister of Turkey, put it, if the West fails to act, Turkey will find it "diffi-cult" to restrain other Muslim states. Strict arms embargoes, reinforced by United Nations-backed hlockades instead of the present system of taking the word of pilots or sea captains that their cargoes are inno-

cent, provide one answer. Another, to which heads of state and responsible commentators everywhere should lend their voices is a moratorium on propaganda for holy wars and "crusades."

The writer, an ABC News correspondent based in Cyprus who specializes in the Middle East, contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune

#### How Rabin and Palestinians Could Do Business

HARTFORD, Connecticut — Although peace talks between Israel and the Palestinians are flagging and both sides think that time

may be running out, Prime Minister Yitzhak
Rabin could make progress when talks resume on
Wednesday in Washington, if he wanted to.
Both sides are tipe for compromise as never
before. The Israeli right cannot avoid acquiescing in the cession of land; the Palestinians would even bypass the dream of statehood to get some.

Mr. Rabin has expressed willingness to return land in the Golan Heights to Syria, but he has offered the Palestinians none. Instead he would allow them administrative autonomy under Israeli rule for a "probation" period, only after which might he agree or commit to end the occupation. He fears that a commitment now on land in the West Bank and Gaza might be premature and provoke Jewish settlers, who oppose the end of Israeli authority, and Palestinian extremists, who might exploit it. Such fears may be unfounded. The settlens attempts to rally opposition to his policies, including his proposal to code part of the Golan, have been feeble. Even if they turned violent, he has the public support to check them.

During the 15 years of Likud-led governments, the settlers enjoyed broad support, based mainly

MILAN—An independent com-mission under the auspices of

the Carnegie Endowment for Inter-

national Peace, and chaired by Win-

ston Lord, has produced an impres-

sive report on the future of U.S.

foreign policy, "Changing Our Ways." For all those who may have

doubted not the ability but the confi-

dent will of the United States to solve

its problems at home and also ad-

dress the dangers we all face abroad,

the commission has provided a good

If the report nevertheless raises

major questions among America's friends, this is not because of the

clear priority it gives to getting Amer-

ica's domestic structure and econom-

ic house in order again. On the con-

trary, we welcome that change.

Many outside the United States have been worried by Washington's

apparent insouciance toward the de-

cay of American cities, the crisis of

For Bush,

Late May

Mean Never

By David S. Broder

E AST LANSING, Michigan — The minute that the moderator

Jim Lehrer wound up the third and final presidential debate Monday, the

national campaign was over. From now on, it is 51 separate races — in the 50 states and the District of Co-lumbia — and that is a big problem

for President George Bush. From my seat, the president had

hy far his best night of the year here, more spirited, coherent and emphat-

ic than anything he had done in this campaign. Bill Clinton was still clear

on his jobs-and-change message.

Ross Perot was even more caustic

than before in his indictment of the

two-party political system.

But for the first time, Mr. Bush

defined the economie policy choice in terms that worked to his benefit.

And for the first time, he tied Mr.

Clinton to two reasonable and rele-

vant yardsticks: the standing of the

state he has governed for 12 years

and the history of the last time a

Democratic governor, Jimmy Carter

deal of reassurance.

By Clinton Bailey

on Israel's large but poor North African Jewish community, Much of this backing has now gone to Mr. Rabin, who pledges to use funds once set aside for settlements to combat poverty and unemployment. The settlers' isolation and Mr. Rabin's popplarity give him a grace period to move boldly toward peace. A confrontation with the settlers might even prove immecessary if he enabled most of them to remain where they live.

It is possible to draw new borders freeing more than 90 percent of the West Bank and Gaza Palestinians from Israeli control while leaving some 60 percent of the settlers in place and all large settlements intact and under Israeli rule. With such gains, the settlers would be hard put to oppose a peace that other Israelis supported.

The Palestinians in the territories might well consider such a compromise. After 25 years, their highest priority is to end the occupation, which put 120 settlements in their midst. The intifada brought little but economic and educational loss. hundreds of faralities and thousands of young men languishing in detention. Their hopes for outside support crashed with the collapse of communism

By Christoph Bertram and Fabio Luca Cavazza

concern that the Carnegie report, for

all its sensible recommendations,

The report argues convincingly

against American unilateralism. It

correctly states the essence of what is

left of President George Bush's new

world order. "We will rely more and

more on collective security to cope

they will not be dealt with at all." It calls for U.S. leadership to mobilize

such collective action.
Yet there is an underlying sugges

tion that somebow working within

collective frameworks for assuring in-

ternational order will make fewer,

emments. The Carnegie report ech-

oes here something which, until re-

cently, was also a general European

perception. The conflict in the Bal-

kans has taught us otherwise.

OKAY, HERE'S

THE PROBLEM, SEE?

with new military challenges -

does not dispel.

the school system and the growth of

an underclass without hope. The danger is that these ills could sap

America's ability to play a responsi-

Nor are we worried that America

means of international action,

might now be tempted to dismantle

military and diplomatic. A shrink-

ing of the U.S. arsenal is natural

after the Cold War, and it is without strategic risk for the United States

and its partners in Europe, Asia and the Middle East. America will be

militarily weaker in absolute but not

in relative terms. And the United

States is not ordering its soldiers and

diplomats back behind the palisades

America is really willing to engage

tive interest of the West. This is a

its considerable means in the collec-

What does concern us is whether

of a Fortress America.

ble international role.

and the defeat of Saddam Hussein. If Israel said it was prepared to end the occupation of 90 percent (or even 75 or 60 percent) of the land, the Palestinians would probably agree so long as the heavily inhabited parts of the West Bank and Gaza could free themselves of Israeli rule. This would enable Mr. Rabin, who opposes an independent Palestin-

ian state, to achieve peace without one.

The Palestinians are perplexed. With no prospect for ending the occupation, the spotlight is on extremism. Islamic fundamentalists and leftist miltants threaten to thwart any compromise.

The Palestine Liberation Organization, in Tumis, keeps the negotiators, who all are from the territories, insisting on an independent state. But if Mr. Rabin put land on the table, this might change. The possibility of ending Israeli rule would find such favor among most Palestinians that even assassins would be loath to challenge it.

The negotiators' real mandate comes from the great majority of Palestinians in the territories who want the occupation ended. These people are not about to let anyone obstruct their liberation now.

The writer, a specialist in Palestinian affairs, is a visiting professor at Trinity College in Hartford. He contributed this comment to The New York Times.

What we have seen is Western

foreign ministers in frantic consulta-

tion - in NATO, the Western Euro-

pean Union, the European Commu-

nity, the Conference on Security and

Cooperation in Europe - without

any one country accepting the task

of leadership. As a result, all these

organizations were lifeless, irrele-

vant to the conflict. They can come

to life only when the states that form

their membership are willing to

make use of them.

For the foresceable future, the will will be generated only if someone takes the lead in pulling and keeping a coalition together. Witness the sad

comparison between collective action

in the Gulf conflict and collective

The important question is not

which organization but who will take

the lead to make the organization

effective. In the West there seem to

be few takers today.

Needed Soon: New American Leadership Plus a New Europe We are among those who hoped that the European Community could grow into that role, sharing the burden, so to say, with the Unit-ed States. But the flahbiness of Eu-

ropean will and vision in the unfold-

ing Yugoslav tragedy has taught us and the world differently. It is a lesson that the current post-Manstricht mood of Euro-resignation confirms. Perhaps Europe has for too long been accustomed to leaving leadership to the United States — when America declines to lead, Europeans don't know how to get their act together.

But what if America were no longer willing to provide that leadership? Leadership within a collective security framework is more demanding than in the hierarchical structure that America became accustomed to during the Cold War. Can America. which for so long was able to call the shots, learn to convince rather than command? Can it, now that there is no common enemy to define a com-mon Western interest, agree to adjust its own international priorities to accommodate those of its European and Asian partners?

There is a real danger that, once again, Europe and America will be out of step. As the former gropes toward some international responsibility in a roundabout way, the latter might decide to opt out.
For the near future there is no

alternative to America taking the lead. In fairness, though, it can be asked to shoulder that burden only if it can assume that before too long Europe will be able and willing to share it. America, in other words, can scarcely be expected to change its ways if Europe refuses to do likewise. Our concern is that, instead of

meeting the challenges to interna-tional order that lie ahead, America and Europe will point accusingly at each other saying that it is the other who has to change. If Europe wants the America of

the Carnegie report, it needs to think of how it could facilitate American leadership in a collective structure. And if Americans really do want to change their ways, they should start asking how their partners can help to bring that about. Mutual assistance in changing our ways is the first and most important step toward collective security.

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#### In Michigan, Bush had his best night of the year. But there are too many places where his standing needs bolstering for him to visit in the time left.

of Georgia, shared power as president with a Democratic Congress. Compared to the previous Republican assaults on Mr. Clinton's youthful role in anti-Vietnam War demonstrations and his travels to Russia, this was serious stuff.

Mr. Clinton is a far different man from Jimmy Carter, more at ease with other politicians and more skilled in working with legislators. He is less likely to preach at Congress and more likely to cooperate with it. And he is less parochial than Mr. Carter. His campaign staff is unlike Mr. Carter's home-grown Georgia inner circle. It is drawn from many states and many branches of the Democratic Party. His White House staff would be, too.

Yet it is true that Mr. Clinton, like Mr. Carter, never has dealt with world problems and never has wrestled with anything on the scale of the national government or economy. There is always a risk in turning over the presidency to someone like

10 U.S. citizens think the country is on the wrong course, as polls consistently have shown this year. And Mr. Bush has been far less successful and convincing in describing an agenda for change than Mr. Clinton.

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in asking American voters to ponder what might happen.

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But the impulse for change is a

and, for that matter, there with Franklin D. Roosevelt

He was late in developing such a plan. It was not until mid-September, at the Detroit Economic Club, that Mr. Bush was handed a coherent and comprehensive statement of domestic policy by his newly installed White House team. He has yet to master its main points well enough that they emerge, naturally and convincingly, in his own phrasing during stump speeches and debates.

In rereading the transcripts of the

three debates, I was struck by how often Mr. Bush was simply indeci-pherable in describing his own proposals. Here, for example, is a portion of his answer to a question on health care reform at the Richmond debate: "My program is this. Keep the government as far out of it as possible. Make insurance available to

the poorest of the poor through vouchers. Next, range in the income bracket through tax credits. And get on about the business of pooling in-surance ... " No voter can make surance ... " No sense of that hash.

From this point on, Mr. Bush will have no national forums of the kind the three debates and their gigantie audiences provided. The only satura-tion coverage his remarks will receive will come in the communities he visits. And there are too many places where his standing needs bolstering for him to visit in the remaining time.

In retrospect, it is clear that James Baker, Mr. Bush's White House chief of staff, and the Bush campaign hierarchy made a mistake in rejecting the schedule and format proposed by the bipartisan Commission on Presidential Debates. That plan would have started the debates two weeks earlier and finished them four days sooner. And now every day counts.

Of all people, Mr. Baker and the campaign's chairman, Boh Teeter, should have known this, because they saw it during their first collabo-ration on President Gerald Ford's campaign in 1976. Then, too, the incumbent president was fighting from behind. Then, too, his momentum was interrupted by a poor performance in the next-to-last debate, Then, too, he became a man in perpetual motion in the final fortnight of frantic campaigning.

But Mr. Ford ran out of time to "move the vote" by personal appearances in as many states as he had to reach, and Jimmy Carter was elected. Mr. Clinton went into the 1992 endgame with a larger lead in more states than Mr. Carter enjoyed at a comparable point in 1976. There are exploitable doubts about Mr. Clinton that may well cause some voters to shift back to the incumbent. But to ask George Bush to do what Gerald Ford could not accomplish is to ask a lot. This is not a mistake one would have thought Mr. Baker would make.

The Washington Post.

#### IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

#### 1892: The Secret Moon LONDON - With regard to Profes-

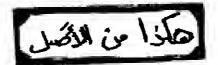
sor Barnard's discovery of a fifth sat-ellite to Jupiter, Mr. E. W. Maunder, the assistant superintending the Solar and Spectroscopic Sections of the Royal Observatory at Greenwich, yesterday [Oct. 20] made a statement: "It has been a matter of surprise that Mr. Barnard, who professed to dis-cover a fifth satellite of Jupiter on September 9, did not for five weeks vouchsafe any information regarding his discovery to any other astronomer, but the delay is no doubt due to the friction existing between mem-bers of the staff at the Observatory." With regard to the observations of Mars, Mr. Maunder said, "It is premature yet to attempt any general survey of the results. Many important observations are not yet to hand."

1917: U.S. Ship Is Sunk WASHINGTON — The War Department announces that the American

transport Antilles was sunk in the European war zone on October 17, while returning to the United States, Sixty-seven of the 167 persons on board were drowned. The attacking submarine was not sighted. All the army and navy officers on board were saved. Three of the ship's officers and 16 men of a crew of 33 perished.

#### 1942: Vichy's 'Treason'

LONDON - [From our New York edition:] Chief of Government Pierre Laval defended his policy of sending French labor to Germany today [Oct. 20] in a radio speech from Vichy in which he declared he would tolerate no resistance and gave workers the choice of going voluntarily or being sent by force. Little more than an hour after Lavai's broadcast, General Charles de Gaulle, head of the Fighting French, said in a radio speech from London that the French nation was proving to the world that "our people are engaged in a revolt against the treasonable leaders of Vichy."



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nurselves the one critical question about a 'andidate's fitness to hold the presidency hat the debates failed to answer. Can he walk and chew gum at the same time?

Spelled out: Can he recapture Amerians' faith in their economic future and it the same time deal properly with

#### ON MY MIND

"foreign" problems that will become American problems whether we like it Sor do not like it?

In the last debate Ross Perot put in a vivid reminder of the Bushbaker appeasement before the war. But that was a maverick moment in a series in which the world outside America was made to disappear. The assumption of questiooers and candidates was that for the next few years the president could concentrate solely on domestic matters while the world stood docilely by awaiting his eventual attention.

That is startling nalvete. So here are a few examples of mine fields that Americans might want to think about now, because after Inauguration Day now, because arter imposition try to we will be watching our president try to

walk his way through them:

1. Russia is going down. Many old

1. Communists are ready and eager to put

2. on their other face, never really hidden. If the United States cannot get its eye off its economic navel we will spend billions confronting a fascist Kremin instead of a Communist Kremlin — hardly a great example of cost efficiency.

2. Proliferation. China has become the supermarket of Third World dictators hunting for missiles and nuclear technology. China not only produces and sells modern weapons and nuclear technology but is getting more of both at discount prices from Russia. Adding a decent markup, it sells them to customers like Syria and Iran.

From Czechoslovakia and other East European buffets, various Middle Eastern dictatorships snap up good cheap tanks and other delicatessen of war. The problem is, we sell billions in our own death specialties, like fighter planes, to Taiwan and freedom-loving Saudi Arabia, among others. So it does get difficult to put an anti-proliferation squeeze on the Russians or East Europeans.

Still, the life and death issue of the years ahead will be whether West and East will again arm dictatorships to the point where they can start war. That will be far more important economically to

us than owls or even capital gains cuts.

3. Beijing is ditching some of the economic ballast of communism but not its political noose. Hitler and Japan showed what the combination of dictatorship and state capitalism can bring in domestic oppression. Economic sanc-tions could force Beijing to ease off on brutality against its own people. But that could mean less grain sold to China, fewer cheap-labor products on the American market. Are we ready?

4. Europe has the military power to deal with the Bosnian horror. But, can jets attacking Serbian artillery and military planes could still prevent more

massacres. Well?

5. Cuba. During the next four years there is likely to be a revolt against Fidel Castro's oppression. The rebels will ask for U.S. help. Then?

I think if I were an editor whose team

of reporters forgot to ask candidates about these things I might be real annoyed. But we will just have to find

our own clues. George Bush would rely on James Baker to "coordinate" the economy — to chew while he walks. Presumably that would leave Mr. Bush to devote himself again to foreign affairs. History will remember him as the man who organized and won the victory in the Gulf. It will also remember him as the man who threw the victory away and who tried to revive the Soviet corpse when it was dead and stinking.

policy experience. But he does have something important. He seems to know where he is going. In his foreign affairs talks is a sense of constancy. It is the belief that promotion of democracy abroad is in America's interests, that dictatorships cannot be appeared, that in their very nature lie the genes of war.

I voted for Mr. Bash but have found it
increasingly difficult to understand his
political philosophy about the conduct of

Bill Clinton has solid government background hut no important foreign

world affairs or where consistency and constancy exist. I no longer know what he is telling us, and where he is walking.

The New York Times.

That fellow Abe Lincoln who opposed the Mexican War --- can you imagine a guy like that as commander in chief?"

## News and Opinion: How One Paper Draws the Line

By Leonard Downie Jr.

The writer is executive editor of The Washington Post.

WASHINGTON - With the 1992 election campaign in its final weeks, the season of newspaper endorse-ments is at hand. Last Sunday, Oct. 11, the editorial page of The Washington Post endorsed the Clinton-Gore ticket under the headline "Bill Clinton for President." Between now and election day on Nov. 3, the editorial page of The Post also will tell readers which candi-dates it endorses locally in elections ranging from Congress to county councils.

This can confuse readers who already are suspicious about Whether news coverage in The Post favors one candidate or another. Some readers are convinced that candidates endorsed by the editorial page are given more favorable news coverage. They believe that the entire news-

paper wants these candidates to win.
This is not so. The endorsement decias are made in a meeting of the editorial board of the newspaper, which is under the direction of Meg Greenfield, the editorial page editor, with Donald Graham, publisher, and Katharine Gra-ham, chairman of The Washington Post Co. Neither I nor any of the editors and reporters who cover the news under my direction has anything to do with these endorsement decisions or any of the other opinions expressed on the editori-al page. Neither Miss Greenfield nor

American positions on various issues. However, I would like to thank Mr.

Grillo, an Italian, for his letter. It is nice

to know that there are individuals in

other countries who appreciate what the

United States has done, and who also

appreciate the economic, political and

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social problems that it currently faces.

any of the editorial writers has any involvement io our coverage of the news. including the election campaign.

In this way, the editorial opinionmaking and news coverage functions of the newspaper are kept completely separate in what we irreverently refer to as "the separation of church and state" in our newsroom. As our written pelicy on Standards and Ethics states: 'On this newspaper, the separation of news columns from the editorial and ropositeeditorial pages is solemn and complete. We are determined to keep our coverage of the news —especially an election cam-paign — fair, unbiased and nonpurusan.

Our determination may not always be elear to readers. Mistakes made in the rushed, highly imperfect process of churning out tens of thousands of words of news coverage on deadline every day can create unfairness that we try to cor-rect over time. Language, especially in the few words of a headline, can convey unintended meanings. Aggressive reporting can be seen as crusading.

As readers regularly remind me, journalists are people, too, and cannot be expected to completely cleanse their professional minds of human emotions and coinions, especially when covering highly charged political campaigns or contriver-sial issues. Yet we ask Washington Posreporters and editors to come as close as possible to doing just that

In the most extreme effort of this kind, I no longer exercise my right to vote. As the final decision-maker on news coverage in The Post, I refuse to decide, even privately, which candidate would be the best president or member of the city council or what position I should take on an issue like abortion or setting taxes. I want my mind to remain open to all sides and possibilities,

We do not discourage other editors and reporters from voting. However. our Standards and Ethics policy reonires them to "avoid active involvement in any partisan causes - politics. community affairs, social action, demonstrations - that could compromise or seem to compromise our ability to report and edit fairly,"

The most common hias I find in our profession is the love of a good story. In this presidential election, any of the possible outcomes would qualify as an awfully good story: a young Democrat taking over the White House after 12 years of Republican control, a dramatic come-from-behind victory by the incumbent president, or an amuzing showing by a self-firmneed indepen-dent candidate that either defeats both major parties or throws the election into the House of Representatives.

than readers may realize, is to give voters as much information as possible about the candidates, the issues and the campaign so that they can best determine where the story goes from here.

The Washington Post.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Refugees and the UN

We appreciated the Washington Post series on the need for reform in the United Nations system (Sept. 21-24). It took the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, in particular, to task. "The UNHCR stands out from the rest," one article said, "because it deals with life-and-death situations."

We try to be as transparent as possible them is the first step toward overcomments and solving them are different matterns and solving the solving the solving them are different matterns and solving the solving the solving them are different matterns and solving the solving about our shortcomings; owning up to financial resources are taxed to the limit.

In the last year and a half, UNHCR has been confronted by an overwhelming series of refugee crises in northern
Lraq, the Horn of Africa, Bangladesh and ex-Yugoslavia, in addition to ongoing relief programs for refugees from Liberia, Mozambique, Afghanistan and Indochina, to name a few.

UNHCR did not play a role in the tragedy unfolding in Somalia, though one article seemed to imply so. Our job has been to work for the more than I million Somali refugees outside their country. UNHCR must rely on voluntary contributions from governments which, al-though generous, do not always corre-spond to the urgency or magnitude of the crisis. We could go about the business of saving lives much more efficiently if humanitarian aid arrived before

babies started dying on television. Perfect accountability could be achieved by adding even more red tape. But in an expergency, UNHCR must react quickly to save lives. When people are dying of thirst in Kenya, should we be required to delay the digging of a well for weeks while we obtain three bids for the joh and submit it to a committee?

Going back over 10 years, the article cited three instances of dishonesty in UNHCR ranks. In the past two years six of our staff workers have been killed in the service of refugees. This kind of sacrifice is what UNHCR is about. We are a "life-and-death" agency.

SYLVANA FOA. Chief, Public Information Section. UN High Commissioner for Refugees.

#### No Monopoly on Cleansing Regarding "If the West Fails to Halt Serbia ..." (Opinion, Oct. 1) and "Im-

pose Peoce Now Rather Than Later' (Opinion, Oct. 2) by George Kenney: The West should heed the advice of

General Lewis Mackenzie, the former head of UN forces in Sarajevo, and put pressure on all three warring factions to reach a negotiated settlement. The Bosnian Muslims have so far refused to negotiate, saying that they are victims of Serbision. The Muslim strategy is to prolong the conflict until foreign military assistance arrives, enabling them to achieve their objective of a unitary state. Mr. Kenney condemns Serb-run "con-

centration camps" but ignores similar camps run by the Croats and Muslims. The revolting practice of "ethnic cleansing is a horrible consequence of the Bosnian civil war. According to the International Committee of the Red

Cross, "ethnic cleansing" is being committed by all three factions in Bosnia. GEORGE TINTOR.

Real Peace With Vietnam

Regarding "Saigon's Last Victims. Its Forgotten Officers, Arrive in U.S." (Opinion, Sept. 16) by Seth Mydans:

When will people understand that Ho

lost have any meaning STEVEN TROP. Arburg, Switzerland.

(i.e. American) violations.

Chi Minh was originally pro-American? That he saw the American Revolution as

a model? That his inaugural speech quoted from the U.S. Constitution? That the UN cease-fire that avoided the

slaughter of thousands of French sol-

diers was supposed to create North and

South Vietnam for one year only, after

which there were to be free elections and

a United Independent Vietnam? There

were never any elections. The UN Com-

mission sent to oversee the cease-fire

clearly documents South Vietnamese

We Americans need to realize that our

government hed to us, offer an apology,

normalize relations and pay war repara-tions. Only then will the lives that were

monetary and republican system. They had tried to survive as a loose federa-

This war should have never happened,

Room for Improvement Regarding "God Bless America" (Letters, Sept. 29): The European Community was patterned on American experience after the Revolutionary War, when 13 independent former colonies joined into a single

Valbonne, France. A Note of Thanks

tion with borders and customs taxes

and such - even independent armies.

The U.S. Constitution followed, but it was not immediately ratified by the states. Minority interests and the smaller

states demanded substantial additions -

If the U.S. Constitution, admired and

copied throughout the world, had to be

radically improved before it could be

ratified, why should there be such con-

the Maastricht treaty? The document

should be flexible enough to withstand

modifications needed to satisfy the

member states. This does not show the

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treaty's weakness, but its strength.

such as freedom of speech and press.

From an American, the words R. D. Grillo wrote would be viewed simply as blind and patriotic defensiveness. You probably receive hundreds of such angry letters from Americans defending

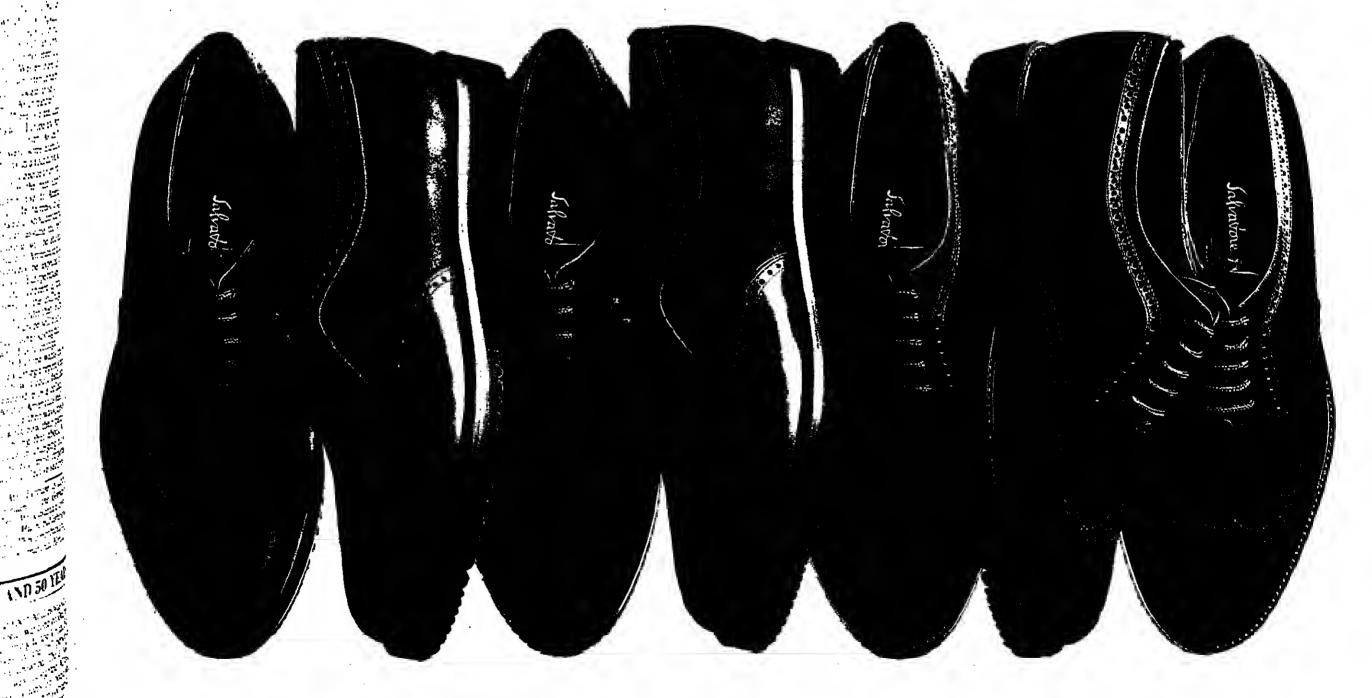
cern if amendments need to be made to A Word for Maradona Regarding "FIFA Is Moving Quickly to Purge the 'Cheats' and Improve the Referees Before 1994" (Sports, Oct. 5) by Rob Hughes:

Why does Rob Hughes always hit on Argentina and Diego Maradona? Now we have, "... the last World Cup, where Argentina almost fouled its way to the title ... "Videos of the World Cup, they the overseits. From the open-Cup show the opposite: From the open-ing game against Cameroon, to the battle with Romania and on to the finals, we see a manhunt against Maradona and his team, leaving it decimated and Maradona himself playing balf-crippled.

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# Hong Kong Governor, Visiting Beijing, Gets Ready to Spar

By Sheryl WuDunn

New York Times Service BEIJING - Hong Kong's new governor, Chris Patten, arrived the pace of democratization in here Tuesday on his first official Hong Kong and the construction visit, drawing open the cortain on of a new \$16 billion airport, origiwhat is likely to be a quarrelsome nally envisioned by the British as e five-year relationship with Chinese grand farewell gift. China sees oo officials over the degree of democ-

racy in the territory.

Mr. Patten, expected to be Britain's last governing envoy in Hong Kong before it reverts to China on July 1, 1997, is trying to orchestrate a dignified exit for the British. So far, his political flair and proposals to make Hong Kong more demo-cratic have roiled Beijing and trig-gered a loud war of words.

Beijing has used the newspapers it controls to denounce Mr. Patten for dressing up as a "God of De-mocracy" and gambling with Hong Kong's future. Mr. Patten has leveled a few of his own pointed remarks, saying that Britain is leav-ing Hong Kong with cash reserves amounting to the "greatest dowry

His three-day visit is oot expected to produce major breakthroughs on issues snagging the relationship between Britain and China. Indeed, while it could ease tensions, it could also end up aggravating the disputes about democracy and oth-

have a number of tough and diffihe arrived at the airport in Beijing. Mr. Patten's proposals, and China

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is to get to know each other.'

Among the stickiest issues are reason for Britain to turn Hong Kong into a democracy now, after having ruled the territory without any for more than a century.

Partly out of anger at the propos als for democratization, Beijing is also withholding approvals for the airport project. But China has other concerns: It fears that Britain plans to squander Hong Kong's funds hy giving contracts to British firms to build the airport as a lavish going-away party.

Mr. Patten, who assumed office in July, is a different breed of gov-ernor from his predecessors. For starters, as former chairman of Britain's Conservative Party, he has far more influence in London than did the previous governor, Lord Wilson

Moreover, Mr. Patten has a knack for embracing ideas that put China's leaders on edge. He has proposed to increase spending on social services, broaden the right of suffrage to workers and make the Hong Kong government more accountable to e popularly-elected legislature.

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Mr. Patten listening to an aide as he was being greeted in Beijing by Chen Ziying, an official in the office overseeing Hong Kong affairs.

oew airport.

Petten cannot shelter his bad attitude towards the cooperation be-tween Britain and China," the Xinhua news agency quoted a Chinese magazine article as saying about Mr. Patten

Both sides have a significant

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New York Times, edited by Eugene Maleska.

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rejected the latest plan to fund the stake in making things work. Politi- nificantly increasing its investment ten, and it may believe that he is call classies could threaten Hong in Hong Kong. It is also becoming simply bluffing. and the profits it reaps from its of Hong Kong's industries, including property and banking Western and Ba ing property and banking. If political uncertainty sends shivers of fear growth in China, particularly in the south, which depends on capital and technology from Hong Kong. Moreover, China is not only sig-

"Patten is going to be forced to back down," e Chinese journalist said. "China can never agree to his throughout Hong Kong's economy, proposals, and anyway he may he they would be felt in Bening, too.

China has little experience in ture to look good, even though he dealing with people like Mr. Pat- knows that he won't win."

# CHINA: Trembling Hand on Tiller

(Continued from page 1) questions arise about its ability to govern five or six years down the

There may be 51 million party members, but the fastest-growing class in China these days is selfmade capitalists. In September, China reported that self-employed entrepreneurs oumber 22.6 million since private enterprise was allowed in 1979.

These new classes are creations of the Deng era," said Michel Ok-senberg, a China analyst at the East-West Center in Hawaii. At the same time, China's age-

old problem of the central government's ability to deal with rebellious provinces will continue to plague the new leaders. Central

#### Kuwait Legislator Gets Post Agence France-Presse

KUWAIT — The new Kuwaiti parliament on Tuesday elected as its speaker Ahmad Abdulaziz Saadun, an opposition legislator who had headed the previous assembly, which was dissolved in 1986 after

government control has been eroding for several years, especially in

financial terms. This is most evident in Beijing's inability to collect revenue. For the last two years, authorities in Beijing have been engaged in bitter fights with provincial leaders over how much money they can keep, and how much they must give to Beijing, lo the end, the central government has been forced to back down, which has worsened Beij-

ing's worst budget delicit ever. At the same time, Mr. Deng has been unable to find a successor. which is a potentially important factor for future stability. It is still possible that a new heir apparent will emerge from among the men who were just promoted, Mr. Deng has twice choseo, and then late party chief Hu Yaohang and the disgraced former party chief Zhao Ziyang, Chinese often liken these acts to cutting off his right

and left arms, The current party chief, Jiang army's crackdown at Tiananmen ates, he is considered transitional.

**AMERICAN** strong bungee cord."

**TOPICS** In the Wild West, Danger Is Toxicity

From Smuggler Mountain in Colorado to Iron Mountain in California, thousands of abandoned 19th-century mines and mills still leach cadmium, lead, zinc, copper, arsenic and other hazardous pollutants into the environment, the Los Angeles Times reports. Nobody has tried to estimate the cost of cleaning them all up, but it would be daunong.

The Comstock Lode toxic waste site in Nevada is one of the most badly contaminated. Between 1860 and 1900, more than \$400 million in gold and silver bullion came out of the region. Quicksilver was used to extract gold and silver from the ore. Today, the region is con-taminated with up to 26 times as much mercury as the federal

safety standard allows. For now, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is sampling soil and fish to determine the extent of mercury pol-

"We've had this idealized picture of the Wild West and the Gold Rush and it's part of our Western heritage," said Ken Weiner, an environmental attorney in Seattle. But "areas where mines used to be are places where people build houses today, where kids play and where wildlife roams."

#### Short Takes

Truck advertisements have asized toughness. The Ford Tough" ads of the mid-1960s were soon answered by the "Ram Tough" Chevrolei. Ford theo showed a truck dropped by parachute from e cargo plane. The truck was driven eway the moment it hit the ground. Last year, Dodge showed a truck towing a 445-foot railroad train (135-meter) railroad train from a standing start. The latest quirk in this macho field shows a GMC truck falling over e bridge nearly 900 feet high. The truck plunges perilously close to the

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"In addition to the emergency procedure demonstration given on all aircraft. writes Joan Freund of New York in a letter to The New York Times, "the Federal Aviation Administration should require airlines to provide demonstration facilities at airports for voluntary practice. Passengers awaiting departures would thus be able to put their spare time to good use, practicing such crucial precedures as inflating life vests. using oxygen masks and operating emergency exits."

Stock and commodities a kets starchy and formal? Not down on the trading floor. where there's waving and shouting when trading heats up and all too many high jinks when it cools down. "Franks prevail. particularly in slow times," The New York Times notes. Now, the Pacific Stock Exchange in Los Angeles has warned members to cease and desist from such antics as shooting rubber bands and spitballs. Fines can range from \$1,000 for a first offense to \$5,000 to repeat spitballers. A spokesman said no missiles have been sighted since the warning went up.

Joe DiMaggio recounts that his former teammate on the New York Yankees, the pitcher Lefty Gomez, once fielded a grounder and instead of throwing the ball to the players covering first and second, tossed it to Tony Lazzeri, who was backing him up and nowhere near either base. When Lazzeri asked how he could do such e thing, Go-mez replied, "Well, I read a newspaper story that said you were the smartest player in the major leagues. I wanted to find what you'd do with it."

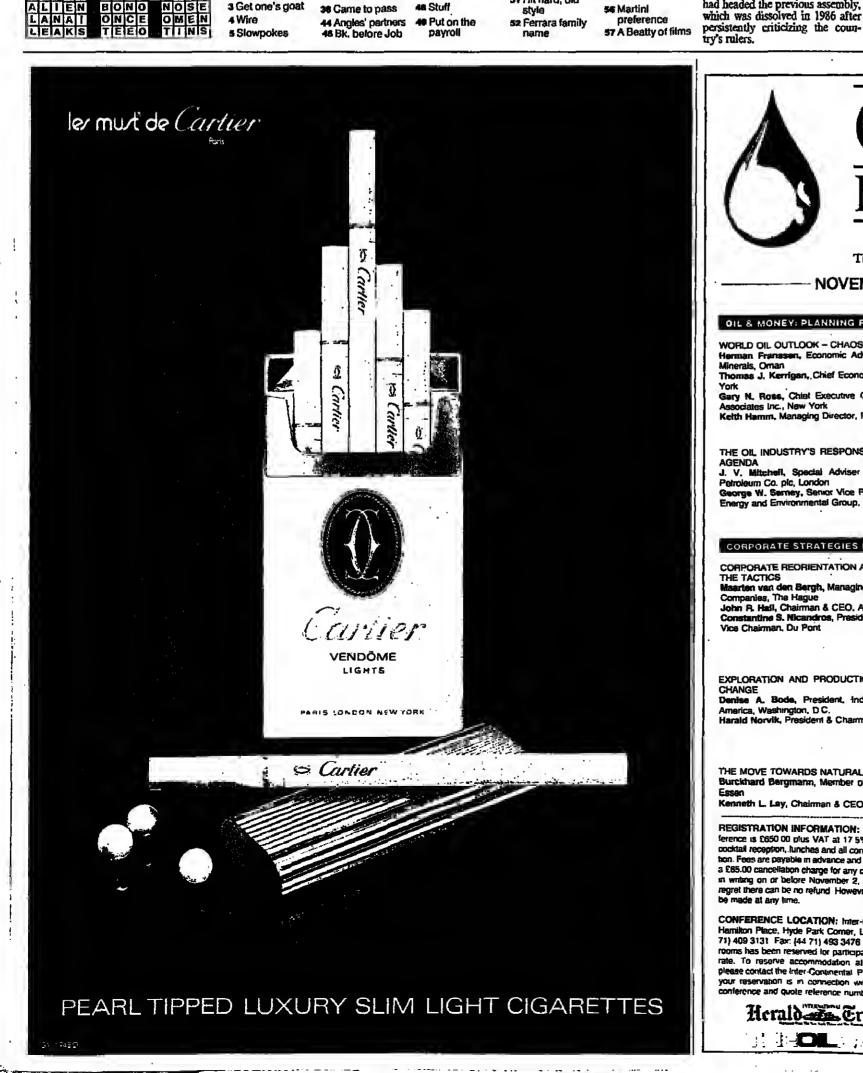
Gem of the Day from the Ann Landers advice column: Nothing makes you more tolerant of a neighbor's party than being

Arthur Highee

#### Thai Amnesty Is Sent To Constitutional Court

BANGKOK - Thailand's Con- unanimously to hand the hot politistitutional Tribunal has been di- cal issue to the tribunal, but did not rected to rule on a contested am- say why they chose that body rath-Zemin, was elevated after the nesty decree and whether the erthanthe Juridical Council, which generals it protects can be prose- advises the government on legal Square. A compromise candidate cuted for ordering the bloody May matters. There was no immediate between hard-liners and moder-crackdown, Prime Minister Chuan word as to when the tribunal would Leekpai said Tuesday.

Mr. Chuan said his cabinet voted begin considering the matter.







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# Cache of Photos Breaks Logjam on Vietnam MIA Issue

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Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — The United States and Vietnam have made important progress toward resolving he issue of American servicemen maccounted for since the Vietnam War after U.S. officials discovered 1 secret cache of Vietnamese-made photographs of Americans killed in he war, according to official

The photographic archive, re-corted to contain more than 4,000 cans who died in action or in captivity, was discovered by means that officials refused to disclose. Some of the Americans pictured are still on the missing in action list because Vietnam has never acknowledged having any information about them or having their

> A joint statement issued in Hanoi on Monday by Vietnamese offi-cials and retired General John Vessey, special U.S. emissary for POW-MIA affairs, reported that Vietnam has provided additional "important information" on unresolved cases. In the context of "acsolven cases. In accelerated cooperation" on the issue of American servicemen, the statement said, "the United States will move more rapidly toward normalization of relations."

The prisoner of war-missing in action question is the only major issue standing in the way of lifting the U.S. trade embargo against Vietnam and establishing full diplomatic relations nearly 20 years after the end of the Vietnam War.

The sequence of events that led to a breakthrough in Hanoi was still shrouded in official secrecy pending a meeting between General Vessey and President George Bush at the White House on Thursday. But sources said the unexpected developments of recent weeks had cast new light on Vietnamese knowledge about the fate of some of the 2,266 Americans unaccount-

#### ----- Endangered Species la Sent Le Constituire Revive London Zoo

LONDON — London Zoo,
which narrowly escaped extinction
last month, announced a new survival plan Tuesday concentrating on breeding endangered species.

- chosen from several proposals,

Information about the grisly death scene photographs taken by Vietnamese combat photographers and the acquisition of at least some copies triggered a series of high-

level meetings in Washington Nearly four weeks ago, sources said, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney notified the chairman of the Senate POW-MIA Committee, John F. Kerry, Democrat of Massachusetts, and the co-chairman, Robert C. Smith, Republican of New Hampshire, of the existence of

the new evidence.
On Oct. 6, Mr. Cheney and Brent Scowcroft, the national security adviser, met with members of the committee to outline a course of action aimed at persuading Hanoi to provide more information on the basis of the U.S. find. Two days later, Foreign Minister Nguyen Manh Cam of Vietnam was summoned to Washington for a meet-ing with Mr. Cheney and Acting Secretary of State Lawrence S. Eagleburger, at which the photographs

were discussed.

The Vietnamese had previously "flatly denied" that their archives cootained information about Americans that had been withheld from the United States, a highranking U.S. official said. But as a result of the meeting with Mr. Cam, Vietnam agreed to a visit last weekend by General Vessey and a team that included senior State Department, Defense Department and National Security Council officials. The team also included Senator

John S. McCain 3d, Republican of Arizona, a former POW in Vietnam and a member of the Senate com-mittee. Mr. McCain, who is up for re-election, was asked by Mr. Bush to scrap a weekend of campaigning

to make the trip.

ABC News reported last week that photographs of the remains of Americans at crash sites had been obtained by "secret agents operating inside Vietnam," a claim that inistration officials disputed Monday. Time magazine reported that the Vietnamese-made photographs of dead Americans constituted "the biggest breakthrough" since 1973 in resolving POW-MIA

A Senate source said the photo-graphs had been made available to an American in Vietnam, apparent-ly by someone who wished to break stalemate over the issue. An administration official said there were indications that the Vietnamese anthorities were aware the Americans were obtaining photo-graphic information from their ar-

chives that they had not been will-

ing to formally acknowledge.



SET ON REVENCE — Women brandishing brooms marching Tuesday in Dhaka, the capital of Bangladesh, to demand the death penalty for Golam Azam, now 78. The fundamentalist Muslim leader is accused of leading a slaughter of nationalists during the 1971 war of independence.

# Takeshita Will Testify in Scandal

TOKYO — Japan's governing party agreed Tuesday to an opposition demand that the former prime ister, Noboru Takeshita, testify before parliament to explain his role in the Sagawa political scandal, party officials said.

Mr. Takeshita, who resigned in April 1989 because of links to the Recruit stocks-for-favors scandal, has come under increasing attack for his role in the affair, which has already brought down a political kingmak-

But in a meeting with opposition parties, the governing Liberal Democratic Party spurned requests that Mr. Kanemaru be summoned to the opening session of parliament Oct. 30 and that Mr. Takeshita testify under oath, a party official said.

Those testifying under oath before parliament can be penalized if they commit perjury, unlike unsworn

The party made its intentions clear in talks with the Social Democratic Party, the Buddhist-backed Ko-

meito, or Clean Government Party, and the Demo-

An outburst of public criticism forced Mr. Kanemaru, who initially escaped with a 200,000 yen (\$1,700) fine, to end his 34-year political career.

Mr. Kanemaru is also alleged to have called on an underground crime syndicate to silence right-wing critics of Mr. Takeshita in 1987, paving the way for his The 500 million yen is suspected of having been distriboted to about 60 members of the Takeshita faction to increase their chances in general elections.

Meanwhile, leaders of the Takeshita faction failed

appointment as party president and prime minister.

cratic Socialist Party. Mr. Kanemaru left the Diet and resigned as chairman of the largest faction in the Liberal Democratic Party last week after charges of receiving 500 million yen (\$4.2 million) in undeclared donations in 1990 from a parcel delivery firm, Tokyo Sagawa Kyubin Co. Ltd., which has been linked to organized crime.

Tuesday to break the impasse over who should succeed Mr. Kanemaru, putting off the decision until

# Freeze! How Would He Know? Japanese Teenager in U.S. Paid With His Life

Washington Post Service TOKYO — All of Japan's national TV octworks here took time during their news programs to offer a lesson in English. In tones of amazement and terror, the news anchors explained how the word "freeze" can be used to mean "don't move or I'll shoot!"

An apparent failure to understand that American usage led to an international tragedy Saturday night when a 16-year-old Japanese exchange student in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, was shot to death by a neighbor.

The high school junior, Yoshihiro Hattori, had been going to a pre-Halloween party when he walked up to a neighbor's house by mistake. The neighbor heard someone in his yard, according to news reports, and shouted, "Freeze!" Mr. Hattori, after two months in America, did not understand the command and kept walking. The neighbor then opened fire with a

For the U.S. news media, it was another accidental killing. But in Japan the story became a major

national concern. This was partly because shooting of anybody, particularly teenagers, is rare here. But the case is newsworthy mainly because it tends to confirm all the worst impressions the Japanese people hold in their love-hate relationship with the colossus across the Pacific.

"America — what a country!" said a TV Asahi news analyst, Takashi Wada, "You can't even walk around outside and be safe."

A TBS octwork anchorman, Tetsuya Chikushi, said; "In America, this is called freedom. The gun lobby says this is a matter of freedom, to have a gun. This is America's worst disease, I think. Guns everywhere - it's like a cancer."

Mr. Chikushi's co-aochor, Akemi Hamao, agreed.
"No wonder," he said, "we Japanese can't understand American

Ownership of almost any weapon, including guns, swords, and daggers, is illegal in Japan. Even among gangsters, guns are so rare that battles are usually fought with fists or kitchen knives. There is so little street crime that there is oot a

word for "mugging,"
For four decades after World War II, the Japanese looked up to the United States, this country's biggest market and only long-term ally. But in recent years, American economic and social problems have undermined that admiration.

Opinion polls show that most Japanese still rate the United States as "number one" in the world. American movies, music, fashion American movies, music, fashion duty of 116 percent on uranium and fast food are the very defini-

are coupled with a sense of disillusionment, even disdain, for a sociery that is seen here as riddled by crime, drugs and fatal shootings in suburban backyards. About 4 mil-

hon Japanese visit the United

States each year, and many come

back with stories of encounters Accordingly, journalists here re-porting on the Baton Rouge killing had oo trouble recalling previous cases: a 16-year-old Japanese high school girl stabbed to death in Fre-mont, California, a group of Japanese college students mugged and

robbed in a public park in Denver at midday. Mr. Hattori, the victim in this weekend's case, was a high school junior from Nagoya who had arrived in Baton Rouge in late August. He had recently written his classmates in Nagoya about life in America. News reports said the letter contained news of the soccer team, fessons in tap dancing, and

tion of "cool" for young people incidents of racial discrimination here. But nowadays, these feelings that the boy had witnessed. that the boy had witnessed.

On Saturday evening, Mr. Hat-tori, wearing a tuxedo with a white iacket, walked down the street from his home with a friend, heading for a costume party.

There were conflicting reports about the events that led to the shooting, but some reports said the teenagers mistakenly went to the home of Rodney Peairs, which was adorned with Halloween decorations and a few doors away from their real destination. At some point, Mr. Peairs came out with a pistol in his hand and shouted. Freeze!

The American boy immediately stopped. But Mr. Hattori, who would have been taught in his English classes here that "freeze" has to do with making ice, kept walking The man shot him in the chest and he died a short time later.

Mr. Peairs was questioned but not immediately arrested, wire services reported, and an investigation

#### **Tokyo Wants Explanation** Of Atom Cargo Disclosure

TOKYO - The Foreign Ministry said Tuesday that it would convey its regrets to France for what it claimed was a breach in an agreement not to disclose details of an imminent shipment of plutonium from France to Japan.

A Foreign Ministry spokeswom-an said Japan would also request an explanation from French nu ar fuel company Cogema for dis-closing details.

The freighter Akatsuki Maru is

to leave Cherbourg carrying highly toxic plutonium that will be used in a Japanese fast-breeder ouclear reactor, Japan sent spent ouelear fuel to France and Britain for reprocessing into plutonium

Cogema, part of the state-owned Atomic Energy Commission, dis-closed Friday some details about

#### Ex-Soviets: Uranium Quota

New York Times Service WASHINGTON — Under pressure from Washington, four former Soviet republics — Russia, Ukraine, Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan - have agreed to abide by strict quotas on uranium shipments to the United States, one of their main markets for uranium exports, the Commerce Department announced. The department threatened in May to impose a punitive

how the plutonium will be pack-aged for the journey.

The scheduled shipment of 1.7 toos of refined plutonium has aroused widespread protests by environmentalists and countries along the ship's possible route. Details of the two-month journey have been kept secret by the principals, citing security reasons.



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Herald Eribune.

Washington Post Service MOSCOW — The Russian Defense Ministry announced Tuesday that it would stop withdrawing troops from the three Baltic republies until housing was available for them in Russia. The announcement is likely to

inflame tensions between Russian and its three tiny neighbors to the west, Estonia, Latvia and Lithna-nia. President Boris N. Yeltsin only last month promised that all Russian troops would be out of Lithuania by the end of August 1993.

By Fred Hiatt

The three Baltic republics, which were incorporated forcibly into the Soviet Union during World War II and remained there until last year, have made the evacuation of former Soviet troops a top foreign-policy priority. The leaders of all text to all discussions of the emo-

But in Russia the withdrawal is a politically touchy question, for practical and political reasons. Thousands of troops coming home from Eastern Europe still are without decent homes, and Russian generals are loath to depress morale further by adding more home-

less officers and their families. In addition, many Russians believe that the troops should not be withdrawn as long as the rights of ethnic Russians in the three Baltic republics are in jeopardy. Especially in Latvia and Estonia, most ethnic Russians have been denied citizenship, even if they were born in the Baltic republics.

Those concerns, although a sub-

three nations regard the troops as tional issue, were not mentioned in "The officers are losing confito shore up morale than a practical dence in the command of the Ruschange in policy. The ministry did ment Tuesday. Instead, the ministry cited as its motive anger among the officer corps about humiliating

> MOSCOW -A bomb thrown at Russian. a police station in a busy square exploded near a McDonald's restaurant and wounded at least eight people, including a 5-year-old girl, the police said Tuesday.

Two men were arrested at the tack, including one with a record of lent crime, blamed on deepening

wounded were Afghan citizens, in-

press service told Itar-Tass.

The police said the attack was not aimed at McDonald's or its customers but at the police precinct adjacent to the restaurant on Push-

kin Square.
The attack was a sign of recent scene after the Monday night at- soaring street crime in Russia. Vioclashing with the police.

Officials said three of the economic hardship, shot up 23 percent this year over last, the police economic hardship, shot up 23 per-

Bombing at Moscow Police Station Wounds 8 cluding the girl, and the others were Initially, the police had not roled out a link with the restaurant A. Moscow daily had reported the bomb was thrown at people waiting in line to get inside the restaurant and it was unclear if any of the

line for withdrawal from Lithuania

sian armed forces," the ministry not specifically disavow the dead-

in fact, the ministry statement and no agreement with the other

may prove to be more of an effort two republics exists in any case

injured were among those in line There have protests over the restaurant by a small group condenning McDonald's as a "defiler of Russia," although both the police and a restaurant spokesman doubt-

# In Moscow Markets, Luscious Wares Spawn Envy

By Celestine Bohlen New York Times Service

MOSCOW — Confused by the loss of an empire and frustrated by an inflation rate that keeps emptying their pockets, many Russians have fixed their fear and anxiety on B convenient target: traders from the Cancasus who have virtually taken over the farmers' markets in Moscow and other cities. offering a tantalizing array of roses, lemons, bananas, bootlegged caviar, eggplant, Bulgarian chickens and other goods at prices

beyond the average shopper's reach.

More and more, people matter darkly of
an invasion by "blacks." The term is used loosely to describe the dark-haired southerners who until recently were described on police blotters as "people of a Caucasian nationality." They include Azerbaijanis, Armenians and Georgians, but also people from Dagestan, Chechenya and other autonomous Russian republics.

A result is the smoldering of ethnic tension, particularly in the semicontrolled farmers' markets and in street bazaars that have sprouted up in almost every Russian city. Russian shoppers bridle at the southerners' flashy prosperity, which they see as an affront, especially given their own reduced

The vendors, meanwhile, complain of churlish resentment from a people who still

up against Caucasians' have been scrawled nationalities in the privacy of their kitchens although they dispute the notion of American walls and fences. In Moscow and St. are ready to mutter insults and sturs on the can-style organized crime. Petersburg, the police make periodic raids against markets they say are used as a cover

for a growing drug and arms trades. To many southerners, particularly Azer-baijanis who boast of their dominant position in the Moscow markets, it all amounts to

"Now in Moscow, we begin to see the slogan 'Russia for Russians,'" said a 21-year-old trader at the central market, an Azerbaijani who gave his name as Rafshan. Their goal is to get rid of Azerbaijanis, it is clear. But who are we bothering by coming here and selling? The fact is Moscow needs us. Here in the winter, when it is minus 20 degrees, the only place to get fruit and vege-tables is from us."

Inside the covered marketplace, a Russian woman standing behind her modest display of fresh lettuce and scrubbed carrots did not hide her frustration at the dazzling competition of grapes, peppers and plums being hawked by her neighbors from the sunny Cancasus.

"In my view, frankly, they deserve to get beaten up," said the woman, who refused to give her name. "These southerners are so razen that it gets to the point where an

sverage Russian man can't take it anymore." Ethnic hostility was never far beneath the cannot grasp the notion of profits.

In recent months, there have been reports from provincial cities of angry Russians storming the local markets, chasing away the vendors. Slogans calling for Russians to "rise times, official propaganda extolled the brotherhood." The difference now is that vendors. Slogans calling for Russians to "rise times, official propaganda extolled the brotherhood." The difference now is that people who once complained about other times, of criminal groupings, loosely based on nationality or regions within central Russia,

"What bothers people in the markets is that they can't afford flowers anymore," said Lieutenant Mikhail Vanichkin, chief of the banditry and terrorism section of the Mos-cow police. "But it is also the attitude of the

southerners," he asserted, "the way they ac-

These southerners are so brazen that it gets to the point where an average Russian man can't take it anymore.'

cost women in the streets, for instance. In their homelands, they would never behave like that; but here, they behave as they wish."

A Russian vendor

As the crime rate in Russia continues its steady climb, up 30 percent this year over 1991, the urge to blame "out-of-towners" is quick and blunt. Stolen cars, traffic in drugs and arms, muggings and armed robbery are all widely, and loosely, attributed to "ma-

They deny targeting ethnic groups on their sweeps through the markets and street bazaars, but according to representatives of local Caucasian communities, that is precise. ly what OMON, the Interior Ministry's riot

squads, have been doing.

Azerbaijan, a Muslim republic, has a Moscow representation office that is keeping a list of incidents in which the cot squads overstepped their bounds, beating vendors at random and confiscating their money. In one incident on July 17, at an informal market set np outside the Belayeva subway station, E. 23-year-old Azerbaijani was shot and killed after officers moved against a group of egg-

plant sellers. An investigation by Moscow officials found that the riot squads had acted "correctly." But in these testy times, local Azer-baijanis treat such explanations with skepti-

"I am not against taking action against criminals, but I am against how it is being done," said Mamed G. Aliyev. an Azerbaijani doctor who moved here in 1984. "The measures that the OMON has been taking are as unpleasant as what is going on in the markets themselves. It begins to smell of

"The situation in the markets is a reflec-tion of the society as a whole — there is dirt, disorder, crime, prostitutes. But it is a lack of order that is a symptom of a social illness, of the stage that this revolution is going through."

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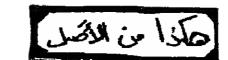
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# Can Couture Shore Up Its Leaning Ivory Tower?

By Suzy Menkes International Herald Tribune

ARIS - Faced with a major crisis in the Enropean textile industry and under challenge from a vigorous international avant-garde, the French fashion establishment announced Tuesday an attempt to shore up its ivory tower. The rigor-ous rules applied to establishing an haute couture house will be liberalized, said Dominique Strauss-Kahn, the minister of industry and foreign trade.

At a press conference during the current ready-to-wear shows, the minister stressed the need to bring new talent into the couture arena and said that reforms would be determined by an eight-member commission including major indus-

. Since the commission is about out and received rapturous ap-goodwill, rather than government plause from Alain Delon, sitting

investment, it will do nothing to center front. But it did not reflect change the fashion realities that modern times in the way that more exception of a thimbleful of houses, tablished couture establishments ment in rough fabrics. are doing. "See Chanel and fly" is increasingly the motto of senior editors and buyers, some of whom quit town Monday.

Emanuel Ungaro, a fine conturier, is not insensitive to current changes. In his Tuesday ready-to-wear show, he had incorporated fashion's new fluidity — at least below the waist. All his skirts were long and gentle, some split at the sides, others crystal pleated and ci-ther in light fabrics or silky jersey. But Ungaro retained a structure at the top — a blazer jacket or a vest. He also kept to a vivid palette, mixing bright prints. The result was a collection that was well worked

this season has shown up. With the avant-garde designers have expressed despair in shadowy colors nobody gives a hoot what the es- and concern about the environ-Then Ungaro flew away from

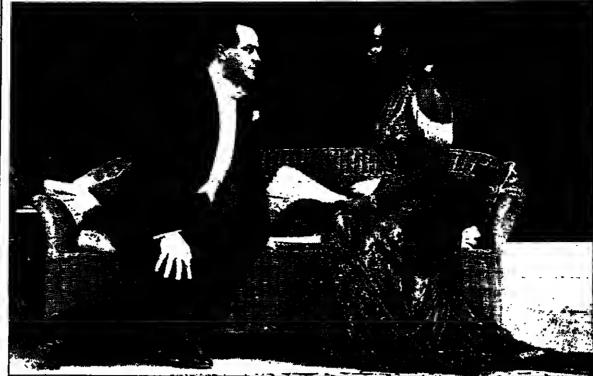
reality on a magic carpet. Prints showed Arabian Night turbans or reclining odalisques; harem pants peeped from under a lacy apron skirt; and Gypsy dresses from some far-flung spot flounced with ruffles and fringes. It was upbeat in its rhythm and excellently crafted. Still, there was something awkward about the relationship between the fluid skirts and dresses and the tailored jackets. Jersey dresses, drap-ing the body before slithering to midcalf, looked like the designer had just tacked more fabric onto an existing silhouette. The collection was a paradigm of the problems facing couture houses showing ready-to-wear - how to hold the alance between what clients want for the new season and the way the fashion wind is blowing?

Oscar de la Renta's show was a perfect pitch for the conture job reportedly on offer to him at Balmain. There was plenty to please customers and nothing to frighten a financier. The jaunty enthusiasm that de la Renta first showed in Paris was refined to a quiet elegance, as well-proportioned cream tailoring — all on attenuated, lean lines — melted into soft summer clothes: midcalf dresses with a swing below a clingy bodice and a printed silks. They came in dark colors, mixes of earth brown and indigo blue, and were made into those peasants-from-someplace clothes that are a current look.

The evening part of the show was too long but pretty, with its flutter-ing fabrics in sorbet colors. Transparency was the story for the soft pants, dresses with lacy skirts and slim chiffon dresses tucked on the bodice - a light-handed conture touch. The designer said that he will spend three days this week in Balmain's conture atcliers before

making his decision. The best show of the day was Hermes, where the house, which once had a horsey image, is galloping ahead in fashion. Its style is simple and modern, incorporating current themes with snede vests gainst bared skin, feminine lace blouses with stretch jodhpurs and slender pantsuits - all in quiet natural colors from chestnut brown to beige. Above all, Hermes speaks for modern houry, which is simple and understated.

President Jean-Louis Dumas-Hermes, meanwhile, denied rumors that the house was pulling out of sponsorship of the Prix de Diane





Richard Bonneville and Josette Bushnell-Mingo in "Two Gentlemen of Verona"; Tony Slattery in "Radio Times."

# 'Radio Times': The Potency of Cheap Music

By Sheridan Morley International Herald Tribune

ONDON - Despite the long Broadway run in the 1980s of his best score, "Me and My Girl" (which continues at the Adelphi Theatre in London), the composer Noël Gay remains curiously unknown outside Britain. Real name Reginald Armitage, a contemporary of Noël Coward and Ivor Novello and Vivian Ellis, he specialized in the kind of unbest prindless catche support the kind of upbeat, mindless, catchy num-bers which seemed to run to, at best, four notes and two syllables, ("Run, Rabbit, Run, Rabbit, Run, Run, Run") but which Britons at home and abroad spent much of World War II happily singing.

The Gay song catalogue is now celebrated in a suitably inane West End musical "Radio Times" (at the Queen's), which tion at the height of the Blitz broadcasting comedy half-hours to the United States despite such little local problems as a supporting cast delayed by bomb damage. "Bloody Hitler," says the star comedian, "first Poland, then France, now the ventriloquists." Presiding over these eccentric festivities is Tony Slattery, perfectly cast in David Gilmore's agile production as the comic who has to hold a frightened company together while treading a perilons line between celebration and mockery of wartime entertainment: "How are the jokes? Both doing fine."

The Radio Times were days when songs came on breakable discs with red labels showing a dog listening to a victrola, and in this loving assembly what Coward called the potency of cheap music still comes through loud and clear. Many of

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Gay's melodies may have been trash, but it's the songs that you have forgotten which always stay with you, and most of

It is impossible not to think of this as one of the more typical revivals in town. And though a hard-working cast has occasional difficulty in getting Abi Grant's new book to make any kind of sense, there's always another terrible but unforgettable song coming along to take your mind off the plot. As another of Gay's relentlessly chirpy titles has it, "Let the People Sing."

For several years after the war, his work and his reputation went into almost total oblivion as the world, or at any rate the West End, moved onto more sophisticated matters. But these things always run in

cycles, and it looks very much as though Gay's time may have come again.

The catalogue may be a little threadbare, since most of the best numbers may have already been batched into the revival "Me and My Girl," but "Radin Times" has just about enough witless energy and manic good humor to survive a chilly season. Not since the crazy gang vacated the Victoria Palace have quite so many draft songs and terrible gags been batched into so hugely enjoyable an evening.

Songs of the 1930s are also central, rather more surprisingly, to David Thacker's rare revival of "Two Gentlemen of Verona" which comes now to the main Burbican stage from last year at Stratford. This has always been the Shakespeare that the RSC avoids whenever possible, and with some cause given the terminal idiocy of its plot: but Thacker gives us an elegant nightchub staging, complete with torch singer (Hilary Cromic) huskily crooning the best of Gersh-win and Cole Porter during the scene changes. The rest of the casting is dominated by Richard Moore's wonderfully dour Launce, a Supporting Performance Award in the making, if ever I saw one.

At the Tricycle is Britain's first chance to see Alice Chikiress's "Trouble in Mind" which, in 1965, won the off-Broadway Obie Award. Quite why it should have taken 37 years to cross the Atlantic is unclear. Though I suspect that it may never have been the strongest of plays, time has cer-tainly not been over-kind to it. In the tradition of Clifford Odets and "The Country Girl," Childress takes us backstage at the Roadway Theatre where something very much more intriguing is going on than the play. A largely black cast has been assem-bled to perform a new script called "Chaos in Belleville" and concerned with a lynching in the Deep South.

As far as the producer and director (both white) are concerned, this is a liberal and even progressive endeavor to get black drama on stage in a white world. As far as its black star (strongly played by Carmen Munroe) can see, it's yet another white attempt to reinforce racial stereotypes and

The piece comes to no very revolutionary conclusions. Central to the debate is the director, a Hollywood liberal noting plaintively that if the play was any more real or less cliched nobody would want to spend the \$100,000 it will cost to produce. substitute a million or two for that, and the black-theater debate is still valid four decades later. But Childress never quite manages to get her play up on its feet away from the debating table, and her characters remain little more than mouthpieces.

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dolf Barshai Ostankino will license the recordings in a joint venture with an American company, the USSU Arts Group, of Los Angeles. The American company was formed in 1989 (its initials stand for United States Soviet Union) by Sid Sharp, a record producer. Because Ostankino is a government agency, the Russian government stands to share in the proceeds from the liensing of the recordings.

Yuri Kornilov, the director of years, set the value of the collection es, literary readings and other at "many hundreds of millions of events. And there are performances dollars." Even the Russians do not by visiting Americans, including

holdings, which are stored in seven Pete Seeger. buildings in Moscow. Pete Seeger. The archive's staff is in the pro-

using software developed for the project by USSU. The recordings are also being transferred to digital audio tape, using a combination of recording equipment from the American company and a noise reduction system originally developed by the Soviet Defense Ministry, reportedly for use by the KGB in cleaning up its surveillance tapes.

"It has been very exciting," said Tristan Del, the chairman of USSU, "because they themselves did not know what they had. We get calls from them saying that they found a tape box marked 'Rozhdestvensky Concert,' and when they played it they found that it also included a concerto played by Rostropovich."

HE archive includes about 300,000 classical music programs, most an hour or longer, as well as thousands of recordings of popular and folk music of Russia and the other republics. Also among the estimated 1.2 million tapes are rethe archive who has run it for six cordings of public political speechThe master copies are to remain

in Moscow. Kornilov and Del said al major record labels. They also said that the archive and USSU were considering starting an imprint of their own.

"A classical label with more than 300,000 titles would become preeminent," said Komilov. "And of course we continue to record, so we have everything we need to be an world." He added that the company intended to abide by copyright laws, and would negotiate royalty agreements with performers and their es-

During the Soviet era, foreign copyrights were not honored in the Soviet Union, and Western record labels often complained that their recordings were being pirated there. "We are taking a new route, Kornilov said, "a civilized, legally appropriate approach according to the standards that are accepted all over the world."

He said this would include discussions not only with performers and their heirs, but also, in the case of Western performers, with the record labels to which they were under contract when the recordings

Jacques Morel as the suspicious old-fashioned doctor serves as a

fine foil. All the town folks are

# Serrault Returns as Dr. Knock

By Thomas Quinn Curtiss International Herold Tribune

ARIS - Michel Serrault a film favorite, has been absent from the stage for far too long. Happily he has returned in Jules Romains's "Knock," a mocking comedy about human credulity at the Théâtre de la Porte Saint Martin.

Knock is an inventive imposter who, replacing the fuddy-duddy doctor of a small village, persuades the inhabitants that every one of poses to cure them of their imaginary maladies. His quackery is irre- his deceit, emphasizing broad hu-

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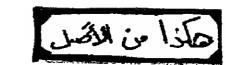
Louis Jouvet's Knock had a diabolical signt reminding one that Dracula, too, posed as a cure-all medico. Serranit's interpretation stresses its high hilarity. His Knock them is dangerously ill and pro- appears as a mythomaniac who makes his dreams into reality with

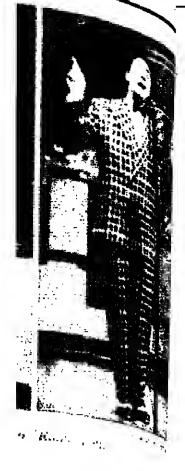
proficiently acted and amusing, while the brilliant satire retains its tonic juices to the full. Francis Huster's "Suite Royale." at the Marigny, is a beautiful staging of two sparkling 18th-century

The first is an adaptation of Crebillon fils' dialogue, "La Nuit et le Moment" in which a count courts a fair marquise in her bed-chamber and wins her. The second has been inspired by Diderot's novel, "Jacques le Fataliste," in which the servant Jacques airs his views to his

master on the human experience. Huster displays his versatility playing the insistent lover in part one and the ideal valet in part two. Jacques Spiesser is effective as his superior. Here is an evening of civilized entertainment

Louis-Ferdinand Céline's only play, "L'Egise," is mounted as a spectacle by Jean-Louis Martinelli at the Theatre des Amandiers of Nanterre. The play was his first try to record his adventures, travels and explosive ideas. A cynical nihilist, he attacked all the conventions, science, religion, government and politics of all colors. There are some thrilling roars in his meandering play, but it lacks form and





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business will rebound and

continue to show new

The skies are cloudy today, but they are likely to be sunnier soon. That is the forecast for the air cargo business, according to executives and industry observers. They are unanimous in projecting that,

growth.

The slowdown, says Mark Shields, senior associate in Washington, D.C. for Mercer Management Consulting Inc., "is just a reflection of overall business conditions. Air cargo will continue to grow bullishly over the aext de-

While air-cargo traffic declined 3.1 percent during 1991 as world GDP fell, many carriers and airports are reporting traffic gains for the first part of 1992. One airport reporting healthy growth this year is Los Angeles. Between January and July, the most recent figures available, Los Angeles International Airport handled 683,000 tons of cargo, up 9.6 percent from the 1991 period.

"Even with stagnation now, projections still call for 6 percent to 7 percent average annual increases," says Robert Arendal, senior vice president of sales, marketing and cargo services for Cargolux Airlines International, the Luxembourg-based cargo airline.

A number of executives, including Mr. Arendal, say business is likely to improve in 1993, although much depends on the improvement of the world business climate. "It depends on the economy. If

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it's slow, I don't see [air cargo] making any great strides," says Richard S. Shreve, assistant director of cargo services for the Air Transport Association, the Washington-based trade association of U.S. airlines.

The broad supply of cargo space has undermined rates on a number of routes. Services between Europe and the United States, in particular, have cut rates dramatically, in some cases up to 50 per-

The drop in freight rates is cutting profitability. "There's a lot of pressure on yields. We're carrying more freight, but making less money," says Buz Whalen, New York-based staff vice president for cargo in the Americas for Japan Airlines.

Executives and industry observers say they are confident about the future, largely because of air cargo's unique role in today's economy. Specifically, they refer to the increasingly international and time-sensitive nature of manufacturing and marketing. Aviation is well-suited, for example, to transporting Asian-made electronics to the United States, a voyage that could

"In the long term, air cargo will continue to be vital because of the further globalization of industries such as electronics and cars," says Robert Payne, spokesman for the airport in Frankfurt. "Economies are increasingly interdependent, increasingly globalized. And airfreight, along with computers and telecommunications, is making globalization pos-

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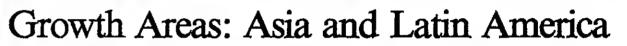
The confidence about the future of airborne shipping is manifested in investment and expansion plans by airlines and airports around the globe. Federal Express, for example, has ordered no less than 25 Airbus 300-600 aircraft for its U.S. domestic operations alone.

Cargolux will be among the first carriers to fly all-cargo Boeing 747-400s. It is taking delivery of two of the aircraft next year, and a third in 1997. The aircraft can carry more cargo and fly farther than its predecessor, the 747-200.

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Centuries ago, Western merchants traveled the Silk Road to the Orient in search of new products and riches. In today's jet age, merchants are again focusing on the Far East, leading industry executives and observers to forecast that Asia will be the fastest-growing market for airborne commerce.

In the coming years, the volume of Asian air cargo, both within the continent and with trade partners such as North America and Europe, is predicted to expand dramatically. Many observers also foresee the Latin American market growing quickly, albeit from a small base. The relatively mature trade between Europe and North America, as well as

Carriers expanding their Pacific routes

the markets within those continents, is expected to increase at a slower pace.

Sourcing, manufacturing and marketing are increasingly international. The rise of the global production line and the growth in international airborne commerce are prompting airfreight carriers to look abroad, not at

home, for growth.

As a result, air-cargo carriers are increasingly dependent on international traffic. United Airlines, for example, now sees international business accounting for more than 50 percent of its cargo, compared with 20 percent five years ago. "The Pacific Rim will be the fastest-growing region because of the booming economies in Asia," says Riaz Moiz, Singapore Airlines' market planning manager for North America in Los Anceles.

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Thomas R. Oliver, executive vice president worldwide for customer operations at Federal Express Corp. in Memphis, Tennessee, adds that the type of industries based in Asia—such as electronics and garments—are very competitive and thus their time-sensitive goods are well suited for air cargo.

Carriers are experiencing fast expansion there. United Parcel Service, for example, is seeing its business double annually in Asia, which it first started serving four years ago. Observers are bullish on the trade between Asia and North America. Mr. Moiz says Singapore Airlines is adding a third weekly allcargo Boeing 747-200 service between Singapore and Los Angeles. Asia already accounts for the largest share of cargo at Los Angeles Airport, says Tom Winfrey, public relations representative for the Los Angeles Department

of Airports.

A number of other carriers are launching or expanding their operations on Pacific Ocean routes. Some 25 airlines now fly between Japan and the United States, notes Buz Whalen, New York-based staff vice president for cargo in the Americas for Japan Airlines.

The Europe-Asia route also is seen as lucrative. Singapore Airlines, for example, already has seven flights on that route, compared with two on the Pacific. Federal Express recently started flying between Frankfurt and Singapore via Dubai.

The rapid growth of air cargo in Asia is leading to crowded facilities and raising concerns about bottlenecks, with capacity problems most evident at airports in Japan and Hong Kong, Expansions planned at airports throughout the continent should ease the capacity pressures.

The forecast is less optimistic for the Europe-North America trade, "The Atlantic has slowed down, particularly because of Germany. The volume in 1993 should be a little higher, but a lot depends on Europe's economy," says Klaus Knappik, chief operating officer in Bellevue, Washington for Danzas AG, the Swiss freight forwarder, Industry executives say the Europe-

North America route, more so than any other major lane, has seen prices drop during the recession, in some cases as much as

Nonetheless, the Atlantic remains a key route. Birgit Kleinhans, spokeswoman for Lufthansa German Airlines in Frankfurt, says: "It may not grow as much, but it will continue to be the most important route for us."

Deregulation of aviation within the European Community should give some lift to air cargo, but observers say that EC liberalization is having a greater impact on passenger traffic and that the air freight business is already lar will most probably take a long time to develop.

A smaller but more dynamic market is Latin America. "Traffic between South America and North America will expand considerably," Mr. Whalen of JAL predicts. The liberalization of trade between countries in North and South America is one of the key factors cited by executives who foresee air cargo growth in the West-

"Central and South
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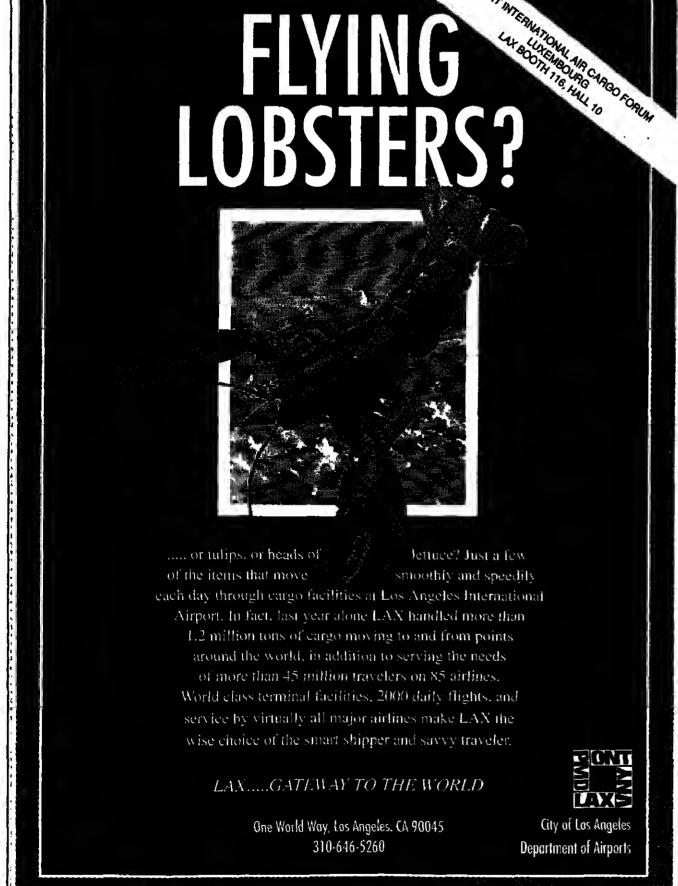
A growing appetite for airfreight: new cargo aircraft can carry more for longer distances.

relatively liberalized. In March, when Federal Express announced that it would discontinue its intra-European service, European carriers breathed a sigh of relief. Federal Express's aggressive courting of European market share had dragged down prices in some areas to below

Meanwhile, the economic revolution in Eastern Europe and the reunification of Germany are generating new business, Ms. Kleinhans says, but she adds that the East European market in particutake to form an Americas trading zone like the one in Europe."

Nonetheless, a number of countries in South America continue to have restrictive trade policies that are hindering the growth of air commerce. In addition, carriers serving the route face a significant traffic imbalance, with the majority of air cargo moving from the North to the South. They are challenged to find sufficient high-value, lightweight cargo to fill cargo holds of aircraft moving in the other direction.

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#### Asian Markets Taking Off

Asian airfreight markets are predicted to show the highest growth rates into the year 2005. North Atlantic traffic will have growth just under the world average of 6.7 percent, while Pacific Rim markets will increase to more than half the world total.

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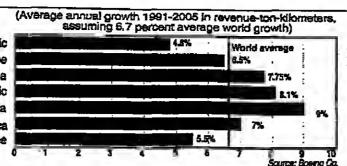
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Fast-food restaurants are cooking up more inexpensive The state of the s meals; fashion designers are stitching together lowerpriced collections. Businesses around the world are introducing products with fewer frills and smaller price tags in response to the economic slowdown and customers seeking to cut spending. Not so the air cargo industry. ( - training

Industry observers and executives agree that in the future, airborne freight 27 27 27 27 will see more - not less service, with carriers offering a wider variety of operations and serving more destinations.

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Says Birgit Kleinhans, spokeswoman for Lufthansa German Airlines in Frankfurt: "We will seek to build the broadest range in our service palette, and, with our partners, build a bigger route network."

One growth area is door-to-door service. Whereas a number of carriers have traditionally of-

#### Door-to-door service growing

fered airport-to-airport transport, a growing number are expected to carry goods all the way from sender to receiver, "With connecting ground service, there will be more direct delivery, with cargo trucked door-to-door between plant and warehouse facility or outlet," says Robert Arendal, senior vice president of sales, marketing and cargo services for Cargolux Ardines International, the Luxem-bourg-based freight air-

According to John Flick, company spokesperson for United Parcel Service of America Inc., Atlanta, another area where service is likely to be expanded is in logistics and distribution. "We're moving into logistics, from the raw materials through to finished products," he says, citing UPS's work for an American computer manufacturer. UPS runs a warehouse in Europe for the company, where components are received from around the globe, packaged and shipped to their final destination. "Whereas a company may have had five or six warehouses,

we now run one for them," he explains. "With 30 cents of every shipping dollar spent on distribution, people are realizing there's money to be

Exporters and importers will continue to demand reliability, competitive pricing and, to minimize warehousing and other costs, just-intime delivery. Some are de-emphasizing overnight delivery in favor of lower cost. "If you don't need it overnight, if you need it Friday and today is Monday, we have a product that is more cost-effective," Mr. Flick says.

One way carriers can offer lower prices is by moving shipments with a combination of airfreight and slower, cheaper transportation modes such as trucking, rail and ocean shipping. Airports also are trying to offer a broader range of services to manufacturers. Trade Port Frankfurt at the Frankfurt Airport, for example, offers duty-free warehousing and distribution.

Carriers are seeking to expand their service networks, in part through acquiring or forming alli-ances with other

Some of the largest deals in recent years inciuded rederai ex Corp.'s purchase of Flying Tigers, and Japan Airlines and Lufthansa's acquisition of major shareholdings in DHL.

Many of the moves, such as the Federal Express purchase, have been prompted by efforts to expand service networks and add more destinations to meet the needs of today's multinational companies.

"It's necessary for a global strategy. Only large groups can meet the demand of larger shippers," says Klaus Knappik, chief operating officer in Bellemarket with their invest-ment in DHL.

"The object of these alliances is to provide more complete services to the shipper," says Mark Shields, senior associate in Washington, D.C. for Mercer Management Consulting Inc.

The wave of acquisitions and alliances, analysts say, poses little threat to competition because new services are continually being launched by new contenders, while all types of airfreight carriers -combined passenger-cargo, pure freight and integrated - must compete

with each other. Tying the networks together is electronic com-

in the SuperTrackers and munications, which some elsewhere is used, for exexecutives say is becoming ample, to minimize the the most important eletime required for customs ment in air cargo. "Accurate information about a

Efforts are under way to improve information technology in airfreight Earlier this month, a group of U.S. airlines and freight forwarders launched the United States Community Cargo Switch. The Atlanta-based information system was created to improve communications between the different computer systems of its mem-

Cross-border networks are already in operation. Air France, Cathay Pacific Airways Ltd., JAL and Lufthansa have a similar

system called Traxon, a series of message-switching boxes in Asia and Europe for communication between freight forwarders and the four airlines. The

United States. Industry observers say they foresee little change in the role played by the three types of airfreight services: combined passenger/eargo, such as Lufthansa; all-cargo, like Cargolux; and integrated, such as Federal Express. Each type of service is most suited for certain customers. "There will continue to be healthy niches for the combination

of carriers," Mr. Shields

airlines are considering ex-

panding Traxon to the

says. "I don't see much structural change.

Combination carriers are likely to continue carrying the largest share because of the efficiencies they enjoy in carrying both passengers and cargo in the same aircraft. As they expand their passenger services, their cargo capac-

ity will grow, too. The integrators, which saw dramatic growth in recent years, are likely to continue to expand their business, albeit at a slower pace. Younger services such as overnight docu-ment delivery have now matured and are seeing competition from growing technologies such as fac-

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# Haste Makes Profits

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airfreight than any other carrier. Cargo now accounts for about one-quarter of the group's revenues.

Other airlines are shifting more attention to freight. "The U.S. majors are placing a higher priori-ty on cargo than in the past," Mr. Shields of Mercer Management says. "Historically, that's been the realm of the Asians and Europeans." Nonetheless, some ana-

lysts say the amount of available capacity is likely to shrink in the coming years. "With growth at 6 percent to 8 percent, there simply won't be sufficient capacity to cope," says Mr. Arendal of Cargolux. Although combined passenger-cargo aircraft will meet much of the growing demand, a shortage of all-cargo planes is likely to arise, according to Mr. Arendal. Some cargo, such as oversized freight, can be flown only on pure freighters. At the same time, some airlines have removed all-cargo planes from their fleet. The likely

in the coming years. Airports also are expanding their facilities in anticipation of continued growth. Frankfurt, for example, already one of the world's largest air-cargo

result is an increase in

prices for airborne freight

hubs, is enlarging its operations. The expansion, called Cargo City South, will boost the airport's handling and storage facil-

In Amsterdam, KLM recently opened Terminal 3, doubling the carrier's cargo-handling capacity. In May, Lufthansa began operating its Oltre Cargo Center in Milan.

Lufthansa also opened a new cargo handling facility in Chicago in August. Described as the airline's most modern terminal, the Chicago facility has a unique, fully antomatic cargo-conveying system.

In 1990, Los Angeles saw the opening of a new cargo facility for Nippon Cargo Airlines, Mexicana Airlines and All Nippon Airways; and Federal Express and Virgin Atlantic upgraded their ground operations there. "A couple more are on the drawing board," says Tom Winfrey, public relations representative for the Los Angeles Department of Airports.

In Asia, Japan is making efforts to relieve capacity shortages. The new Kansai airport near Osaka is scheduled to open in the mid-1990s, while Tokyo's Narita airport is building an additional runway and Haneda airport is being re-

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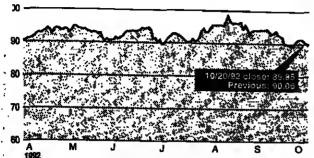
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#### Even for Bertelsmann, A Tough Crossing to U.S.

By Geraldine Fabrikant New York Times Service

EW YORK - Maybe it's something in the air, but American media companies have proved especially irksome to foreign buyers. Some newcomers, like Sony Corp., Matsushita and Hachette SA, snapped up sizable media roperties here in the late 1980s and ran into unforescen snags.

Bertelsmann AG seemed like a surer bet. The \$9 billion German nedia combine, second largest in the world after Time Warner Inc., ad all the appropriate stuff when it got into American media in a ig way in the 1980s.

A stable and conservative outfit, its top managers back home

**Books and records** 

eem firmly in place and its rofits worldwide are solid. By ontrast, Sony bought Columbia ictures and Matsushita bought MCA, both at heavy premiums, ust as the parent companies were hit by recession.

present added problems when Bertelsmann's American cultural barriers loom.

anding, though, has not been mooth. The executive turnover

it its outposts in the United States - RCA Records, the Literary Fuild and the book publishers Bantam, Doubleday and Dell -has teen striking compared with the stability in Germany. And though he company cites some bright spots, the money is not rolling in as it There's the economy, of course; nobody is doing too well these ecessionary days. But perhaps media companies pose a special

hallenge to the outsider. Books and records, and those who create hem, traffic in a distinct local idiom, presenting added problems or management when cultural barriers loom. This is true even for a company like Bertelsmann, whose experi-

nce elsewhere would have seemed reasonable protection against naking bad leadership and strategic decisions in the United States. t now insists that it has learned the language and that smoother lays lie ahead, but it still faces daunting challenges.

Just watch how the revolving door has turned for Bertelsmann, which entered the United States in 1977, buying 51 percent of lantam, and greatly expanded its presence in 1986 when it bought Joubleday, Dell, RCA and other properties. RCA, the linchpin of

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# Chrysler Bucks Odds and Rolls On

DETROIT — Chrysler Corp., boosted by sales of its jeeps and trucks, reported on Tuesday earnings of \$202 million for the third quarter, considerably better than the expectations of most analysts, which had ranged from \$110 million and \$185 million.

The result also marked a sharp turnaround from a year ago, when the No. 3 U.S. carmaker posted a loss of \$82 million.

Chrysler would have earned still more in the period if it had not taken a pretax charge of \$101 million to restructure its rentalcar operations.

Chrysler's stock price gained after the results were anno finishing the session at \$25.50, up 62.5 cents. Sales totaled \$9.2 billion for

the period, up 22 percent from last year and a record for any third quarter. "Reporting profitable quarters back-to-back while in the midst of the slowest economic recovery in decades makes today's announcement especially satisfying," said the Chrysler chairman,

In the previous quarter, Chrys-ler reported a profit of \$178 mil-

#### Going Electric in Japan

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

TOKYO — Anticipating stricter environmental standards and a potential new market, Nissan Motor Co. and Toyota Motor Corp. announced Tuesday that they planned to produce the first Japanese luxury passenger cars that run on electricity.

Nissan will begin leasing an electric version of its four-door Cedric

sedan to government offices and businesses in February. 11 will start selling the new vehicles next December.

Nissan is aiming to be able to mass-produce the cars by 1998,

when California introduces new anti-pollution standards. Toyota, the country's leading automaker, said it hoped to complete development of an electric car based on its Crown Majestic model, a high-end passenger car sold in Japan, by March.

Environmental concerns are not the only reason for the move. With sales down, electric cars are "just about the only potential new market," said Masayuki Mochizuki, of the brokerage house W. I.

The modified Nissan Cedric will run on a 12-volt, sealed, lead-acid battery and will be capable of covering 120 kilometers (75 miles) without recharging when driven at an average speed of 40 kilometers per hour. The Toyota vehicle will have a slightly greater range.

(Bloomberg, AFP)

lion, also far better than analysts

Chrysler's showing was due to its strength in the truck market, which has led the auto industry's slight recovery this year. Chrysler's Jeep Cherokee and Grand Cherokee sport trucks and its minivans are big sellers in their But Chrysler's earnings, ex-

pected to continue in the fourth quarter, do not portend rehounds for Ford Motor Co. and General Motors Corp., whose earnings are suffering because of recession in Europe. Chrysler has only a small presence in Europe. Both Ford and GM are expect-

ed to report quarterly losses oext week. Analysis say it will take a healthy rebound of the passenger-car market at home for the two companies to benefit from their cost-cutting programs.

For the first nine months, Chrysler earned \$367 million, compared with a loss of \$892 million in the same period in 1991. Nine-month revenue totaled \$26.7 billion, up 26 percent from

\$21.2 billion a year ago. Chrysler's market share was up for the third quarter as well as the year to date. The carmaker's share of the combined U.S. and Canadian car and truck marke was 12.5 percent, against 11.3 percent in the 1991 third quarter. For the year through Sept. 30, Chrysler's share totaled 13 percent, up from 12.2 percent last

Chrysler Financial Corp., the carmaker's lending subsidiary, earned \$45 million in the third quarter, down from \$81 million a year ago. Nine-month earnings were \$205 million, compared with \$238 million in the first nine

# Conde of Banesto: A Future Perot Figure?

By Alan Riding New York Times Service

MADRID - With his slickedback dark hair, elegant suits, mata-dor physique and reputation for ruthlessness, Mario Conde became a role model for an entire generation who believed that finance was the way to the top in the new Spain of the late 1980s.

A decade earlier, political or acanic careers were still the fashion. But by 1988, when Mr. Conde became president of Banco Español de Credito SA, money fever had seized Spain. The high-profile banker, only 37 at the time, was seen as proof that the country had changed.

Today, the shine has gone off Spain's boom. The peseta lost 10 percent of its value against the German mark last month; business confidence has been shaken, and many highly paid young brokers and financial operators are beginning to wonder what the future

as the personification of the getick mentality that has onv tumbled the economy into trouble. Others look to him as a Ross Perotment, could step in to save Spain from its politicians.

Sitting in the quiet elegance of his bank's head office, he once again brushed aside the widely held view that his secret ambition was to become prime minister.

"For the last five years, people a little longer?" have been saying that sooner or later I will enter politics," he said. "It has never attracted me."

**Eurocurrency Deposits** 

USAir Rejects Perot Attack

WASHINGTON - The chairman of USAir Group Inc., Seth E.

Schofield, challenged Ross Perot on Tuesday over his coticism during the final presidential debate of a proposed \$750 million alliance between USAir and British Airways.

Mr. Schofield said in a letter to Mr. Perot: "Unfortunately, the

lobbyists and public relations firms working for American, United

lobbyists and public relations firms working for American, Umted and Delta have been spreading mountains of misinformation in an attempt to stop the alliance and maintain their dominant position."

The chairmen of the three larger airlines released copies of letters they wrote to the U.S. transportation secretary, Andrew H. Card Jr., expressing fears about what they said were proposed revisions in a bilateral aviation agreement between the U.S. and Britain.

Mr. Card and other Department of Transportation officials were flying to London on Tuesday night to weigh in on negotiations in which the United States has pressed the British to give U.S. carriers more rights to fly in Britain.

Nonetheless, more than any other Spanish businessman, he continues to maintain a high public profile, albeit carefully managing his image. While gossip magazines follow the antics of Spain's "beautiful people," Mr. Conde appears in photographs alongside the likes of Pope John Paul II and Margaret Thatcher.

More significant, he is not shy about voicing opinions on the country's affairs. After Denmark rejected the Treaty on European Union in a referendum in June, for example, he said Spaniards should vote on the treaty rather than simply watch its ratification by parliament. Prime Minister Felipe González

dismissed the suggestion, but after the French ratified the treaty by the narrowest of margins in a referendum last month, Mr. Conde felt

bolds for them.

But Mr. Conde continues to fascinato Spaniards. Some detide him and people didn't know this," he said. "Nor did they in France. Isn't Now he is needling the government for promising that despite the

like outsider who, at the right mo- peseta's weakness. Spain will be among the first countries to adopt a single European currency.

"It's nice to say this, but is it realistic?" he asked. "Isn't it more logical to say, if it involves great risks to the economy to achieve this in two or three years, why not take

What perhaps most feeds suspi-cions of Mr. Conde's political ambitions is his interest in communi-"For a time," he said, "there was cations. Although his name has a big difference in the polls be- been associated with many publicatween the Socialist government and tions, he said Banco Español de the conservative opposition, and Credito, known as Banesto, had some journalists would write about invested only in a newspaper that is me. But now the Socialists are los-

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gaining in the polls, so it's not even logical." eral for a \$800,000 loan. But this summer in a

But this summer, in a joint venture with Rupert Murdoch and a Spanish entrepreneur, Antonio Asensio, he took control of Antena 3 de Televisión SA, one of the country's new commercial channels. And since then, his many enemies have held up some of the station's programs as evidence that it is furthering his political agenda.

We made an entirely business decision to be part of Antena 3," he said. "We have to deal with the real Spain. And in it, communications companies are important and earn money. But that's oot being in politics unless you think of everything as politics. And in that sense, you can influence politics from a major company or a bank."

government — his relations with the enough." Well, yes. On that day, economy minister, Carlos Solchaga there'll be plenty to do."

the best way that Mr. Conde could be buried politically would be for his bank to slide into trouble. This month, Madrid newspapers were speculating about a rebellion brewing inside Banesto's board.

There's nothing to that," Mr. Conde said. "But journalists have to find something to write, Look, when an economy goes into crisis, banks always reflect it, But Spanish banks are well capitalized, and I think we'll have fewer problems than banks in some other countries."

ply getting richer?
Thanks to the luck of life, I have earned more than enough," be said. "My objective is to run the bank group efficiently. So, you'll say, 'Yes, that's fine for a while, but the For his critics in the press and the day will come when this isn't

# **Currency Swings Boost Profits at** Big U.S. Banks

By Lawrence Malkin International Herald Tribune

NEW YORK - Citicorp reported Tuesday a surprising jump in its third-quarter income as currency turmoil in Europe helped fatten the profits of American money-center

The convalescing banking giant's net income was \$116 million, or 17 cents a share of common stock, almost twice the projections made earlier in connection with a successful sale of preferred stock but down from the second-quarter profit of \$143 million, which was based on cost-cutting,

Chemical Bank and Chase Manhattan also reported higher third-quarter earnings than a year ago, augmented in part by foreignexchange carnings, especially in

Chemical's earnings, reported Tuesday, were \$282 million, or 98 cents a share, of which \$176 million came from foreign-exchange trad-ing. On Monday, Chase reported \$176 million in profit, of which \$120 million came from foreignexchange trading, and it warned that it would have to take "relative-

ly high" provisions for loan losses. The main strength in American banking continued to be found in the regional banks, especially the reorganized "superregionals" that span a number of states, such as Banc One of Columbus, Ohio. It reported third-quarter earnings of \$186 million, or 87 cens a share, up from \$140 million, or 69 cents a share, a year ago.

Pittsburgh's Mellon Bank more than doubled its 1991 third-quarter profit, of \$70 million, to \$154 million last quarter.

The slow recovery of American banks prompted Ross Perot, the independent presidential candi-date, to refer to a study published So will he be satisfied with simthis month by two economists contending that more than 1,000 U.S. banks were dying and that almost \$100 billion in government mooey would be needed to pay off

Referring to the savings-and-

debate, "Don't bury it until after

the election twice." Few banking analysts saw the banks' problems in the same way as they saw those of the savings and loans, largely because the banks have been waiched far more closely by regulators and have more capi-

tal and greater cash flow. Raphael Soifer of Brown Brothers Harriman called the study "irresponsible, because the authors do what no one else can do — mark the assets of banks to market without access to their internal re-

But Mr. Soifer said he did not mean that U.S. banks were out of trouble. He said the major mooeycenter banks, except for J.P. Morgan and Bankers Trust, were being dragged down by commercial real estate loans and that West Coast banks were starting to feel the effects of the California recession.

Wells Fargo of San Francisco reported Tuesday that its thirdquarter net income was \$24 million, or 21 cents a share, a sharp drop from last year's \$86 million, or \$1.59 a share.

But for most banks, the next few years will be a long slog back to profitability. Citicorp, for example, reported an increase from its second-quarter operating margin of \$1.4 billion to \$1.9 billion in the latest quarter, though it had been predicting an increase to only \$1.7 billion. The bank attributed the jump largely to "strong results from foreign-exchange activity,"

What is feeding most banks' balance sheets is the huge spread of about 3 percentage point — 300 mooey through certificates of deposit and federal funds at about 3 or 4 percent and prime loan rates of 6 percent or higher for less creditworthy borrowers.

Jim McDermott, senior analyst for Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, a firm that tracks bank stocks, said that lower rates, cost cootrol and improved credit quality had all loan disaster, which was over-looked in the 1988 election, Mr. still had a long way to go.

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#### MARKET DIARY

# **Stocks End Mixed** As Dow Loses Gains

NEW YORK — Prices on the failed to hold conclusively above New York Stock Exchange ended mixed Tuesday after profit-taking nificance. The Dow peaked at crased early gains in the Dow, but the broader market retained sturdy

inficance. The Dow peaked at 3,213.04.

Tony Dwyer of Prudential Secu-

The Dow Jones industrial aver- helped by the gradual acceptance age closed 2.43 points lower at among 3,186.02. At one point, the Dow was up more than 24 points. In the broader market, advanc-

#### N.Y. Stocks

ing issues led losers by almost a 5to-4 ratio, clinging to gains despite a hefty sell-off in the bond market, which is jittery over possible plans by the Democratic presidential candidate, Bill Clinton, to stimulate the economy.

Trading was heavy, with 258.2 million shares traded, up from 218.7 million on Monday.

The Standard & Poor's compos-

ite index of 500 stocks rose 0.50 of a point to 415.48. The American Stock Exchange index gained 2.86 to 371.40 The NYSE Composite index of

all listed common stocks rose 0.34 of a point to 228.58. The average share was up 5 cents. Compaq, Johnson & Johnson and Chrysler were among the big-

ger companies reporting surprisingly strong third-quarter earnings. But Compaq sold off late in the day, as investors locked in profits after several days of gains.

Traders said blue chips may have on the stock. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

# RATES: Bundesbank Set to Cut

#### (Continued from page I)

Although mooey-supply growth remains above target and inflation is faster than the Bundesbank

would like, analysts said accumulating signs of slowing growth were Foreign Exchange

driving the central bank to relax its tight mooey policy. "It will be a small move down,

but it's significant," said Richard Reid at UBS/Phillips & Drew in Frankfurt. "It should be read as confirmation that short-term interest rates have peaked and are beaded lower, but by small amounts."

board member and president of the Berlin central bank, said Tuesday that the chief goal of the German central bank remained price stability, Reuters reported from Berlin. [He added that the bank would

continue to guard against inflation despite the economic slowdown, saying its monetary policies were "justified by the high rate of consumer price increases."

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**WORLD STOCK MARKETS** 

think. We're on a gradual course to lower rates." He predicted that by a rate ranging from 8.7 percent to year-end, this key market indicator could be down to about 8.25 per-

3,200, an area of psychological sig-

rities said the stock market was also

among some investors of a presi-dential victory by Mr. Clinton.

that the Bundesbank, the German

central bank, might cut interest

rates soon. The benchmark 30-year bond ended down nearly a full

point, and its yield jumped up to 7.65 percent from 7.57 percent on

Chrysler, Reebok International

Quantum Corp., Philip Morris Cos.

and Merck were the five most ac-

tively traded issues on the U.S.

Chrysler jumped % to 251/2 after

the release of better-than-expected

third-quarter earnings. The rise in Chrysler shares spilled over into General Motors and Ford Motor. General Motors gained % to 29%

Reebok tumbled 11/2 to 271/s on

disappointing third-quarter results and the company's warning that

results would remain soft through

14 on lower-than-expected secondquarter earnings, prompting Salo-mon Brothers and Robertson Ste-

Quantum Corp. slumped 11/2 to

and Ford rose 14 to 38%.

the end of the year.

Meanwhile, investors saw signs

#### ■ Dollar Sweeps Higher

The dollar swept higher in Europe in frantic trading because of apparent softening of the Bundesbank's mooetary stance, but gave back some of those gains In London, the U.S. currency **NASDAQ Diary** 

closed at 1.5190 DM, after 1.4840 on Monday. In New York, it fin-ished at 1.5184, down from its high for the day of 1.5250, but comfortably above its Monday close of

The pound gained in London to [Dieter Hiss, a Buodesbank S1.6185, after \$1.6308 on Monday, oard member and president of the profiting amid speculation that the Germans would ease rates. It advanced in New York to \$1.6233, after \$1.6250. The dollar finished in Europe at

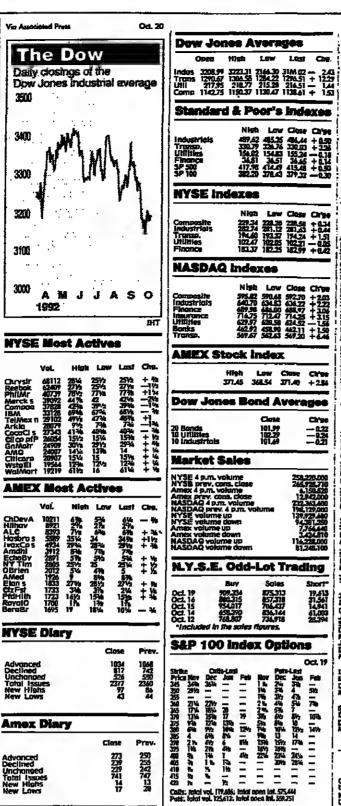
121.75 yen, up sharply from 119.90. It also climbed to 1.3605 Swiss francs, from 1.3220, and to 5.1725 French francs, from 5.1150. In New York, the U.S. currency

umer price increases."] gained to 122.45 yen, up sharply Thorsten Neufeld at Deutsche from 120.50; to 1.3575 Swiss Bank said: "Rates are oot headed francs, after 1.3430, and to 5.1490 as low as some people seem to French francs, after 5.0900.

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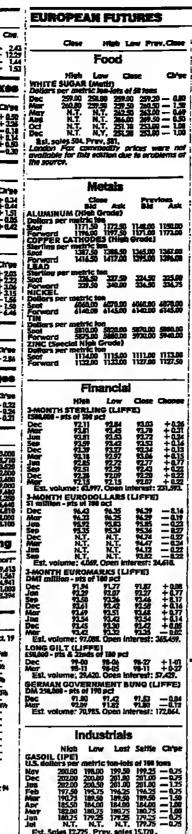


# Suez Sees Stagnant 2d Half

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The contribution to consolidated results from Banque Indosuez



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#### Colgate Posts Record Earnings

NEW YORK (UPI) — Colgate-Palmolive Co., citing strength in its brand franchises, reported Tuesday a record third-quarter net income of 5128.8 million, or 73 cents a share, compared with a net loss of \$146.6 million a year earlier.

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For the first nine months, the company said, not income climbed to \$367.1 million, or \$2.12 a share, from \$38 million, or 16 cents a share. Sales rose to \$5.2 billion from \$4.5 billion.

Colgate noted that both the third-quarter and nine-month results of last year had reflected a restructuring charge of \$243 million, or \$1.82 a share. The latest results include those of the Mennen personal-care products business, acquired in March.

#### Housing Starts Reach 6-Month High

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. housing starts unexpectedly rote 1.4 percent in September to their highest level in six months, the government said Tuesday. It was the second consecutive monthly advance.

The Commerce Department said construction of new single-family homes and apartments totaled 1.26 million at a seasonally adjusted annual rate, up from 1.24 million in August. The September total was the highest since 1.34 million in March.

The report also showed that starts jumped 12.6 percent in August, even more than the 10.4 percent initial estimate. That was the steepest increase since new construction surreed 19 percent in February 1991.

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#### Compaq Returns to Profit in Quarter HOUSTON (AP) — Compaq Computer Corp. said Tuesday that it had earnings of \$49 million in the third quarter, in contrast to a loss of 570 million a year earlier.

The personal-computer maker said its earnings amounted to 61 cents per share, compared with a loss of 82 cents a share for the 1991 think quarter. Compaq, which embarked on a low-cost strategy, laid of employees and dismissed the co-founder Rod Canion after last year's loss, said third-quarter sales climbed 50 percent, to a record \$1.07 billion from \$700 million a year and the same sales climbed 50 percent, to a record \$1.07 billion from \$700 million a year and the sales climbed \$1.07 billion from \$700 million a year and \$1.07 billion from \$700 million a year and \$1.07 billion \$1.07

from \$709 million a year ago.
Third-quarter results for both years were affected by restructuring and other special charges and credits, Compaq said.

#### Warner-Lambert Net Rises 14.4%

MORRIS PLAINS, New Jersey (UPI) — Warner-Lambert Co., the pharmaceutical company that makes Listerine mouthwash and Schick razors, said Tuesday that third-quarter earnings increased 14.4 percent boosted by strength in international consumer business and new products. The company reported that earnings rose to \$164.5 million, or \$1.22 a share, from \$143.8 million, or \$1.07 a share, a year earlier. Sales rose to \$1.43 billion from \$1. 26 billion.

In the consumer division, sales worldwide gained 17 percent and domestic revenue rose 15 percent. Some of the new products driving the growth in the segment were Cool Mint Listerine antiseptic mouthwash and Cinn-A-Burst chewing gum as well as established brands such as Ciorets gum and mints, Halls cough tablets, Schick razors and blades and Tetra pet-care products.

#### For the Record

A federal bankruptcy judge in New York confirmed Orion Pictures Corp.'s plan of reorganization on Tuesday, allowing the motion-picture company to emerge from bankruptcy protection. (Bloomberg)

Avon Products Inc. reported \$53.9 million in oet income for the third quarter on Tuesday, compared with a net loss of \$27.3 million for the third quarter of 1991.

An investor group formed by the firm of Kohlberg & Co. said it had purchased three building-product manufacturing units from Abitibi-Price Inc. for an undisclosed amount. (Bloomberg)

The U.S. government has collected only 4.5 percent of the total fines and restitutions, amounting to \$846.7 million, ordered in cases of bank and savings-and-loan fraud, the General Accounting Office said on

PARIS—Compagnie de Suez, confirming it made a substantial loss in the first half, said Tuesday it expected on improvement in the second. The bolding company reported that net profit dropped 72 percent to 500 million francs (\$99.3 million) in the first six months of this year, after

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Suez set aside almost 2 billion francs for risks in the real-estate sector.

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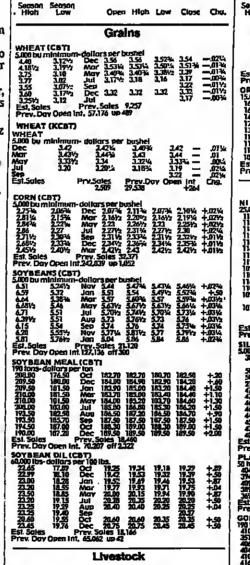
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# Dynamit Nobel in Spain Deal Unión Española to Sell a Majority Stake

pecial to the Herald Tribune

BARCELONA - Dynamit Nobel AG, a subsidiary of Germany's giant Metalligesellschaft group, has agreed to acquire a majority stake in Spain's largest explosives maker, Union Española de Explosivos, sources at the Spanish company

The deal would give Dynamit Nobel, Germany's largest explosives maker, access to Unión Española's effective monopoly position in the Spanish civil industrial explosives market.

A price has yet to be agreed upon, but a final deal is expected to be clinched be mid-December. Legislation prohibiting foreign ownership of more than 40 percent of Spanish companies operating in the defense and explosives sectors is expected.

to be circumvented with the government's approval.
Union Española is a unit of the troubled Ercros group, which is controlled by the Kuwait Investment Office. In July, Ercros SA and its main subsidiary, Fesa-Enfersa, sought protection from creditors with a combined debt of \$1.6 billion.

Although not directly affected by these events.

Union Española has been talking with several European companies, including Imperial Chemi-cal Industries PLC of Britain and Société Nationale de Pondre et Explosives of France, to try and extricate it from the problems of its parent companies. The negotiations were suspended, however,

after the accord with Dynamit Nobel last week Unión Española derives about 75 percent of its \$300 million annual sales from civil explosives and

ammunition, and 25 percent from the defense sector. The company, which employs 2,000 people in Spain, has been undertaking a restructuring program for several years.

A source at the company called last year's losses "considerable." In contrast, Dynamit Nobel's sales have almost doubled, to \$2 billion, since its takeover by Metaligesellschaft in mid-1991.

Should the deal go through, it could represent the first concrete divestment made by the Kuwait Investment Office in Spain since its change of management earlier this year. Despite recent assurances that it plans to inject \$1 billion cash into its indebted and loss-making Spanish investments, and a further \$1.4 billion in recapitalization, the Kuwait Investment Office has shown eagerness to shed many of its most troublesome activities.

It is believed that the Kuwait Investment Office wants to retain only major interests in three of its subsidiaries: Ebro-Agricolas SA, the food conglomerate; Torras Papel SA, Spain's largest paper operation, and Grupo Amaya, the insurance company.

The negotiations to sell two other Ercros subsidiaries, Fesa-Enfersa and Rio Tinto Minero SA, to Freeport-MacMoRan Inc., the U.S. multinational. have been revived, with the size of the pension fund said to be the last obstacle to a final deal. Another KIO unit in Spain, the textile company Industrias Bures, was forced into seeking protection from its creditors on Oct. 1, with debts of \$150 million. KIO's Spanish holding company, Grupo Torras, has since offered to cede its 70 percent

holding to the Burés work force.

# U.K. Carmakers Hit ASG to Join By Gyrating Pound

chief executive.

exchange rate.

Both men insisted that what the

industry needed, and was not get-ting, was a stable currency. Both

pointed to steady gains made by

British carmakers in exporting

their products to the rest of Europe

in recent years and noted that the

gains were achieved under the old

The pound's precipitous fall fol-

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While saying that the old ex-

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change rate for the pound against

the Deutsche mark, of around 2.90,

of around 2.40 DM was far too low.

By Erik Ipsen

BIRMINGHAM - The head of the industry group representing British carmakers, contradicting the government of Prime Minister John Major, said Tuesday that the pound's five-week slide on the cur-

rency markets had gone too far.
The speech hy Colin Hope, at the opening of the International Motor Show, made him the first major British industrialist to contradict the government's contention that the fall would help exporters.

Mr. Hope, president of the Soci-

ety of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, called for an "upward realignment" of the currency, argu-ing that sterling, at current low lev-els, would lead to both higher inflation and less domestic investment for Britain.

The association has 1,300 member companies, employing 320,000 car and car-component manufacturers, and is the official host of the International Motor Show, which

began Monday. Mr. Hope, who is also chief executive of the component manufac-turer T&N PLC, also criticized what he felt had been a general lack of direction in British economic

#### Danzas in **Transport** policy. "The kindest thing you can say is that it is muddled," he said. in marked contrast to the gov-

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches ermment, which has argued that a STOCKHOLM - The Swedish cheaper pound represents a terrific opportunity for British exporters. transport company ASG AB has agreed to coordinate its services Mr. Hope insisted that the currenwith those of Danzas AG of Switcy's wild fluctuations had been an zerland, ASG announced Tuesday. impediment. "The pound is not any The alliance forms a new force more sustainable at too low a leve with combined annual sales of 50 than at too high a level," added Sir billion kronor (\$8.9 billion) and Harold Miller, the association's 20,000 employees.

Under the agreement, Danzas will withdraw from Nordic countries, in which its activities will be taken over by ASG. The Swedish company will withdraw from partpership arrangements elsewhere in the European market, where Danzas will take over its interests.

Danzas has annual sales of 40 illion kronor, ASG said and 16,000 employees. ASG, with sales of 10 billion kronor, has 5,400 em-

The head of ASG, Bengt Joens-son, said his group did not have the capital to take over or become a large shareholder in a competing company in the European market. in overseas freight transport, ASG will cooperate with Danzas m those regions where it does not have its own branches, Danzas said.

was perhaps a bit too high, Mr. Hope stressed that the current rate Danzas said marketing, product development and telecommi He agreed with several leading tions were other areas in which the British economists in suggesting that a rate of roughly 2.70 DM two groups will cooperate. ASG will be linked to Danzas's internal communications network, Danznet. would be more appropriate and

• Wilhelm Wilhelmsen Ltd. said pretax profit before allocations fell to 84

 AT&T Bell Laboratories said it had hired 27 Russian scientists from St. Petersburg to conduct research into semiconductor physics and lasers.

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million kroner (\$14 million) in the eight months through August, from 442 million kroner, partly due to turbulence in foreign-exchange markets. • Banco Exterior de España SA said it would issue 30 billion pesetas (\$283 million) in preferred stock in the United States in coming weeks.

Deutsche Bank AG said it was considering the acquisition of Banco de Madrid SA, a unit of Banco Español de Crédito SA.

• Anglo American Corp. inaugurated the Moab gold mine, which is scheduled to come into full production in the year 2004, in South Africa's Orange Free State.

The German defense minister, Volker Rühe, predicted that Italy, Spain

and Britain would eventually support Bonn in seeking a lower-cost version of the European Fighter Aircraft.

 Confédération Française Démocratique du Travail, France's second-largest union, said Jean Kaspar, its leader, had stepped down Mr. Kaspar recently came under fire for a lack of leadership at a time of near-record

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# COMPANY RESULTS evenue and profits or eses, in millions, are in cal currencies unless therwise indicated.

#### RECESSION: Germany Also?

(Confirmed from page 1)

the question because we anticipate an easing of monetary policy that will make itself felt in the course of

By local definition, the West rman economy is not yet in a recession. Whereas Anglo-Saxon countries define recession as two consecutive periods of negative quarterly growth, Germans take a nger-term view, usually a year.

According to official statistics for the first half of the year, the economy was not growing much, but it was not shrinking much, either. The West German economy, as measured by its gross national product, shrank 0.2 percent between the second and first quarters but was rounded in official statistics to show no change.

Third quarter data, which will be reported in mid-December, are widely expected to show negative growth on a quarterly basis and weak but positive growth on an annual basis, triggering the Anglo-Saxon definition of recession but not the German definition.

"For me, a recession exists when

indicators of economic trends show a persistent weakness," said Wolfgang Strohm, senior economist at Germany's Federal Statistics Office. According to his reckoning, the last recession in Germany oc-

curred in 1982. But the problem with the longerterm German definition, analysts concede, is that it is impossible to tell when a recession has begun until it is over. Short-term indicators, such as

declining manufacturing ontput, shrinking order books and rising unemployment, are setting off warning sirens in Bonn, but services are thriving. "Private and public services grew

at a 4.1 percent rate year on year in the first half, whereas the industrial sector grew only 0.7 percent," said Mr. Mayer, Services in fact account for around 43 percent of domestic output, versus 38 percent for industry, but are not reflected in monthheadline indicators, he noted.

"If you focus primarily on the licators coming out of the manufacturing sector, you're probably getting too bleak a picture of the German economy," he said.

#### MEDIA: A Tough Crossing to U.S.

(Continued from first finance page) its record group, has had three presidents since 1986, the Literary Guild

Bertelsmann has replaced the head of its book companies as well as top

executives at Bantam and Doubleday in the last four years. RCA is reportedly just breaking even. And book profits are down slightly because of past problems at Bantam and Dell. The bright spot is the Literary Guild, which after trouble in the late 1980s is now profitable. At that book club, Bertelsmann's first president tried to use selling tools that work in Germany before a new management team realized

Americans had different buying habits. For example, the company printed large, costly catalogues to which Americans did not respond.

At the book companies, it's hard to tell what was more to blame, the strategy or the actors. Executives expanded just as recession hit. "The American market is really tough," conceded Bernhard von Minckwitz, president of Bertelsmann's international publishing division.

Some media executives say Bertelsmann has fixed many problems. New management has put the Literary Guild on the right track, and recent

changes at the book division have been well received.

But for Bertelsmann, whose 1992 global profit was up 5.6 percent, to \$407 million, the American results must remain disappointing. This is particularly so at RCA Records, since sales of English-language artists present 60 percent of sales outside Germany.

The book companies have also been rolled by problems. In the latest year, sales were reportedly flat at about \$600 million and profits fell slightly from \$35 million, where they had been since 1988.

#### Ruble Hits New Low on Swap Fears

MOSCOW - Russia's ailing ruble hit new lows against the dollar on Tuesday amid fears that the government would make companies swap all hard-currency earnings for rubles.

The Itar-Tass news agency said a government meeting on Tuesday had greed that the government would "move toward 100 percent sales of foreign-currency earnings" in 1993. Companies are currently obliged to, swap 50 percent of their hard-currency earnings for rubles.

The ruble, which has plunged since mid-summer, fell to 368 to the dollar on the Moscow Interbank Currency Exchange, down from 338 last Thursday and from 135 in July. Russian officials said reports that the swap would be brought in over the cext 14 months could support the currency.

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# Taiwan Near Pact With BAe

TAIPEI - As its \$500 million joint venture to produce regional aircraft with British Aerospace PLC moves closer to reality, the Taiwan aerospace company known more for discussing than completing high-powered agreements finally seems to be getting one off of the ground.

A Taiwan government decision on Saturday to provide a large plot of land and up to \$200 million in loans to smooth the link-up between Taiwan Aerospace Corp. and BAe will help remove one of the final hurdles to completion of the agreement, said TAC's president, Denny Ko.

A memorandum of understanding was signed in Taipei last month under which BAe would spin off its regional airline manufacturing assets and set up a new company. Taiwan Aerospace would then buy half the new company at an expected price of \$200 million to \$250 million.

"Most of the details have been worked ont, and we're confident this is close to a done deal," Mr. Ko said. An agreement is expected by the end of December, he added.

The BAe pact follows the highly publicized failure of the fledgling Taiwan company, which is 29 percent government-owned, to complete an initial agreement in November to purchase 40 percent of the commercial business of McDonnell Douglas Corp. for \$2 billion. The agreement fell

Money Supply

Shrinks in Japan

TOKYO - The Bank of Japan

said Tuesday that the money sup-

ply in September shrank for the

first time ever, raising fears of a

The data may force the Bank of

Japan to ease monetary policy

sooner rather than later, econo-

mists said. The central bank said

the money supply aggregate measuring M-2 plus certificates of de-

posit contracted 0.4 percent from a

cent of senior executives of the 100

biggest companies said they did not

expect a recovery until the April-June quarter of 1993. (AFP, AFX) scandal was still in the headlin tion by the Finance Ministry.

year earlier.

credit crunch amid the slowdown.

through because of marketing and financing prob-lems surrounding the MD-12, the plane that was the centerpiece of the pact, industry sources said.

TAC, which received government funds after authorities announced plans to develop an aero-space industry with revenues of \$6 billion by the end of the decade, subsequently beld talks with many of the world's leading aerospace companies to explore alternative projects. For that, and the collapse of the McDonnell agreement, the company has earned a reputation in some quarters for talking more about large business pacts than working to conclude them. Mr. Ko hopes this will change with the BAe agreement

The Ministry of Economic Affairs said Tuesday that it may formally endorse a bid by TAC to offer stock to the public and obtain a listing on the Taiwan Stock Exchange, describing the support as a way to back TAC in the BAe project. It would be the first time the government has supported an application for a stock-exchange listing.

The loan-and-land pledge dovetails with Taiwan Aerospace's plan to draw on as little of its own capital as possible in order to fund the joint ven-

TAC's current registered capital is 5.2 billion Taiwan dollars (\$205 million). Mr. Ko hopes to raise this to 7.5 billion dollars.

TOKYO — Ten midsize Japanese securities houses said Tuesday that they had compensated favored clients for 10.1 billion yen (\$84 million) in losses on investment whindling a second that moked the

investments, rekindling a scandal that rocked the

The loss-compensation scandal goes back to June 1991, when 17 brokerages acknowledged paying more

than \$1.5 billion to favored customers for money they

lost in the securities markets before March 31, 1991.

More than \$1 billion came from the Big Four broker-

ages: Nommra Securities Co. Daiwa Securities Co.,

Four of the midsize brokerages - Taiheiyo, Sanyo,

Cosmo and Mito securities companies - said Tuesday

that they had compensated clients in the financial year

that ended in March 1992. That means some of the

payments may have been made while the previous scandal was still in the headlines and under investiga-

Nikko Securities Co. and Yamaichi Securities Co.

securities industry last year.

#### IBM Takes On North Korea Courts Japan With Foreign Investment Cut-Rate PCs

Bloomberg Business News TOKYO - North Korea, in what would be a step away from TOKYO - International Business Machines Corp. released isolation, unveiled Tuesday its first Tuesday a new range of low-cost law on foreign investment, putting personal computers in Japan, as a out a red carpet in particular for high-tech industries. price war among U.S. computer But the initial reaction from in

makers crossed the Pacific. The IBM personal computers dustrialists in Japan — seen as a will be sold for as little as half the source of huge investment and know-how - was cautious. price of similar Japanese-made ma-An official at a Japanese ma-chinery maker said: "We need stachines. The move comes three weeks after Compan Computer Inc., IBM's main rival in the Unitble politics, good subcontractors ed States, launched a range of 24 and labor force, and trustworthi-PCs in Japan that also sell at about ness to do business with other countries. North Korea is lacking half the price of competitive Japain such factors."

nese models IBM's new low-cost machines. called the PS/V series, will be available in November. The machines, built around Intel Corp.'s powerful 486 processor chip, will be priced at 198,000 yen (about \$1,650).

News Agency published the 22-clause document, which it said had Compaq's computers start at 128,000 yen for a machine using the been adopted Oct. 5 by the Stand-386 processor chip. The cheapest equivalent model from NEC Corp. People's Assembly. has a retail price of 230,000 ven.

Japan Securities Dealers Association, did not say why the payments had not been made public previously.

The other brokerages were Yamatane Securities Co., Meiko Securities Co., Sanyo Securities Co., Mar-

uman Securines Co., Marusan Securities Co. and

Nomura International PLC said Tnesday that it

would cut 50 jobs from its London operations at all

levels in the areas of investment banking, British and

European equity sales, trading and research, Renters

tion accounted for almost half the overall figure.

Naigai Securities Co.

less than 100 million yen.

■ Nomura Cuts Back in London

Cosmo Securities Co.'s 4.6 billion yen in compensa

Despite their fears of contamination by outsiders, Pyongyang's rulers have been forced to open their **Japan Stocks Scandal Re-emerges** doors by a deep economic crisis made worse by the collapse of Sovi-

North Korea's only remaining ally of any weight, China, has urged it to follow its lead and seek economic modernization by luring foreign capital and expertise.

A spokesman for a Japanese steel-

The official Korean Central

maker added: "We lack information

about North Korea. A sudden dec-

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The new law will allow foreign investors to establish equity and contractual joint ventures within North Korea, and to set up and Eight others said they had compensated clients a total of 194 million yen. The dealers' association did not name brokerages that had compensated clients for operate wholly foreign-owned enterprises in a free economic and trade zone.

It says Korean nationals living outside North Korea will be allowed to invest, subject to the law. North Korea is to permit foreign investment in such sectors as industry, agriculture, construction, transport, telecommunications, science and technology, tourism, com-

#### Seoul Plans Loans To Manufacturers

SEOUL - South Korea will provide more than 5 trillion won (56 billion) in credit to manufacturers in the first half of 1993 to encourage investment in plant and equipment, a leading economic policymaker said Tuesday.

Deputy Prime Minister Choi Gak Kyu said greater investment as needed to improve exports.

The measures include foreign-currency-denominated loans worth 1 trillion won for the purchase of domestically produced machinery. The terms include a 5 percent annual interest rate and a 10-year repayment period.

merce and financial business; the

report said.
The state encourages investments, above all, in sectors that require high and modern technologies, those which produce internaonally competitive goods, sectors of natural resource development and infrastructure construction. and scientific research and new technology development sectors."

Foreign-funded enterprises in these sectors would receive preferential treatment, including reduction and exemption of income and other taxes, favorable conditions for land use and preferential supply of bank loans,

Last year, North Korea announced the creation of an economic zone with a total area of 621 square kilometers (250 square miles) in Nam and Sonbong, in North Hamgyong Province, It also said the ports of Najin and Sonbong and adjoining Chongjin would be free trade ports.

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Hiroo Hasegawa resigned over the weekend for health reasons, a bank spokesman said Tuesday, Analysts said, however, that Mr. Hasegawa was ousted as a precondition for the bank receiving government help.

The Bank of Japan will send a "consultant" to assist in the lender's restructuring, Hyogo officials said. Changes include executive pay cuts, branch closings

and a suspension in dividend payments to shareholders for the six months through September.

Hyogo Bank, the 16th-largest regional bank, is suffering the same difficulties as major commercial lenders, analysts said. Sharp growth in deposits during the late 1980s forced banks to extend huge amounts of credit to "nonbank" institutions backing property developers.
Plummeting land values have led to a record num-

ber of bankruptoies in the real estate industry and among Japanese nonbanks, which are not allowed to receive deposits and rely on regular banks for funding. "Basically, banks got a lot more money than they could handle, so they dumped it onto nonbanks," said Walther Altherr, an analyst at W. I. Carr Securities.

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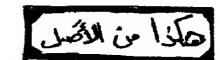
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# SPORTS FOOTBALL

# Hapless Bengals Lose 4th in a Row

PITTSBURGH - David Shula is the National Football League's youngest head coach. But he probably feels a lot older after the Cincinnati Bengals's latest game.

Dwight Stone dropped three passes, then set up the first of his two scoring catches with a 30-yard run on a reverse in the second quarter as the Pittsburgh Steelers beat Shula's offense-less Bengals, 20-0,

Monday night.

Pittsburgh, with Barry Foster nearly outgaining the Bengals by himself, ended a two-game losing streak to gain a first-place tie with Houston in the AFC Central. The Bengals, who lost their fourth in a row, were shut out for the first time since a 34-0 defeat to Cleveland

in a 1987 strike game.

Monday night's shutout also ended Bengal kicker Jim Breech's NFL-record streak of scoring in consecutive games at 186.

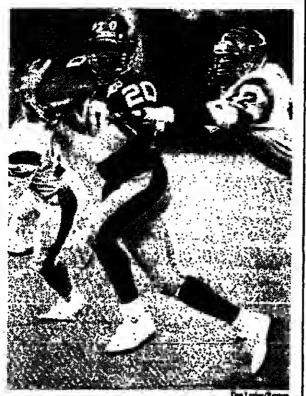
The Steelers were held without a touchdown in consecutive losses

to Green Bay and Cleveland, and they managed only two against a Bengal defense that was shredded the week before for five touch-down passes by Houston's Warren Moon. And the Bengals set up one of Pittsburgh's touchdowns with a fumble.

Still, Stone's two touchdowns and Gary Anderson's two field goals were enough against a Bengal offense that managed only 118 net yards. Foster, the AFC's leading rusher, carried 24 times for 108

yards, his fourth 100-yard game of the season.

One day after rushing for a career-high 150 yards, the San Diego Chargers' running back, Rod Bernstine, underwent surgery on his separated left shoulder and could be out for at least six weeks.



Dwight Stone had two touchdown catches for the Steelers.

# Kaiserslautern **Beats Sheffield** In UEFA Cup

The Associated Press KAISERSLAUTERN, Germany - FC

Kaiserslantern, with two quick goals in the second halftime, beat Sheffield Wednesday. 3-1, in a UEFA Cup second-round, first-leg match Tuesday.

In a fast-paced match, Sheffield Wednesday shocked the 25,000 German fans by taking the lead after only five minutes on Chris Waddle cross that David Hirst put into the far corner of the net.

But a minute later Viv Anderson brought down striker Marcel Witeczek in the penalty area and Wolfgan Fimkel made it 1-1.

Wednesday suffered a major setback when Hirst was sent off in the 41st minute after a tackle on Marco Haber. Marcus Marin and Witeczek each scored within two minutes to give Kaiserslautern a two-goal lead.

#### ■ \*94 Cup Opens in Chicago

Defending champion Germany will open the 1994 World Cup in Chicago, kicking off a 52-match soccer extravaganza played in nine sites across the United States, Reuters reported Tuesday from New York.

Officials announced that Germany will launch the month-long tournament on Friday, June 17, after opening ceremonies at Soldier Field. The Cotton Bowl in Dallas will also host a match later that day.

Germany, top-seeded in Group C, will play the second-seeded team in that group for the opening match. The rest of the field, other than the host United States, has yet to qualify for the tournament.

The 24 finalists will be placed into six groups of four at the World Cup final draw in Las Vegas in December 1993.

The United States, hosting its first World Cup, is expected to be top seeds in Group A, in keeping with recent practice, and thus would play its first match on June 18 in the Pontiac Silverdome outside Detroit. That would be the first World Cap match ever played indoors.

All matches, except the final, will begin at either 1630 GMT, 2000 GMT or 2330 GMT. The final, to be played in the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, California, on Sunday, July 17, will begin at 1930 GMT.

For the first time, all World Cup venues will host matches involving top seeds. Each of the nine sites will have at least two matches featuring a top seed during the first stage. Groups A and B will play first-round

matches in Los Angeles, San Francisco and Detroit; Groups C and D will play in Chicago, Boston and Dallas; Groups E and F will compete in New York, Orlando and Wash-

# Olympique's Fall From Grace

spenders would choose for trying to save a cose-diving soccer dream. But that is where Bernard Tapie's Olympique Marseille has landed for the second round of the European Club Champions' Cup.

The currency of Europe, worth upward of \$30 million to the trophy winner, might be the last hope for Marseille. The club already has the smell of reces-

sion, and nothing in Bucharest is paved with gold. Indeed, Dinamo Bucharest is itself on the lookout

for scraps. The former police team, a pet chib of the struggles

for Rob Rob Hughes In Round 1, Dinamo labored to

put away Finnish part-timers in overtime, a reflection of life after Bucharest's finest players have flown abroad. The chance to eliminate Marseille, perhaps to catch the eye and escape this bleak soccer backwater, will no doubt harden the resolve of those who are left. If there is a player remotely like Gheorge Hagi languishing in Romania, Tapie would want him. But would the play want Marseille?

The line of those who would not grows legion after tales of unpaid bonuses and broken promises in the French port. To be fair, Tapie had taken his beloved L'OM to within a lost penalty shootout in the 1991 final, but his impatience tore up the team.

Now there is evacuation by the stars. Tapie is said to be losing heart and interest, as if, like some Gallic Sansom, he preparing to pull down the pillars around

Police investigators are into his businesses and his club, his political career stagnates and even his Adidas empire has become unwanted by the prospective Brit-

He breathes defiance while the French banks hold him up. But the comings and goings at the soccer club have been turned over in embarrassing detail by Capial, a French economic magazine.

Investigator Eric Wattez sums up Olympique Mar-seille in a word: Liquidation. That is not easily proven in sport, where the assets are in the main performers whose market value is in the buyer's eye.

OCCER DEFIES business norms, just as up to I now Tanie has confounded them. Yet Wattez charts the six years since Tapie took over the rundown club and assesses the debt at 150 million French francs, about \$30 million and almost a million francs for each of 170 players hired and fired in that time.

The annual budget has shot up from 97 million francs to 282 million, the salaries in the past two years alone more than doubled, with such profligacy as paying a million francs a month for the short-lived prestige coaching appointment of Franz Beckenbauer.

But of course a team's wealth is generally judged by what it has out on the field. This summer, Marseille has sold its captain and personification, Jean-Pierre Papin for \$16 million to AC Milan, but also, at lossess of between half and four times the purchase price, has sold Chris Waddle, Carlos Mozer, Dragan Stojkovic

It is an irony that, should Marseille go beyond Round 2, it could meet its Waterloo at the feet of

International Herald Tribune

ONDON — A wet Wednesday in Bucharest is
not a place one of Europe's most flamboyant big
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It is a small world, tightening its belt after the insanity of trying to match the largesse of Sixio Berlusconi, the AC Milan president-mogul who would be king of any European super league.

Berlusconi, as one socialist billionaire to another did try to help Tapic stay in the super league game. He agreed to loan him Zvonimir Boban, one of the surphs. foreigners Milan has in reserve. Boban said a hundred times no, and Dejan Savicevic, a better player in a similar limbo at Milanello, repeated the rejection. Word is that Marseille's phone bill is soaring with begging requests to Italian clubs who, in Berluscon at wake, have also hired more foreign talents than the

We may be witnessing the end of the super leagues.

Even the patrician Gianni Agnelli, having good, against his instincts to finally match Milan's spending. has called in a professor of economics to overse

And if the prying eye finds that the purse of ke-vecchia signara, the old lady of Juventus, is becoming threadbare, then cutbacks will surely begin to reverse the uncontrolled Italian buying.

At least, with Agnelli behind it - and Fiat behind Agnelli - Juve will remain attractive to star performers. Poor Marseille has no such allure.

I suspect it was never as loved for its own sake as
Juve is by Agnelli. And now, instead of Berlusconi
collecting and tiring of players at his whim, they are walking out on him.

HIS SUMMER he hired two foreigners from the Italian league. Rudi Völler, the aging German, still has goals to pay him back but Martin Vasquez spent barely two months at Marseille before scampering back to his oxioinal home. Real Madrid. ing back to his original home, Real Madrid.

And Laurent Blanc, the French libero who never quite cut it in Naples, vecred away from Marseille and went to Nimes. Small wonder that, following a defeat at Nantes last weekend, L'OM is further away from dominating even the French league than at other any time in the Tapie era.

The Romanian vampire may oot be the kiss of death, but Tapie's ultimate aim of lifting the Champions Cup is receding down a road paved with debt.

Elsewhere, favorites Milan and Barcelona have inhospital journeys on Wednesday.

Barcelona, the defending champion, got a fright before squeezing past Viking Stavanger in Round 1. The Catalan champions have also at least temporarily had to give second best in Spain to the new league leader, Deportivo La Coruna, whose investment in the Brazilian Bebeto has so far reaped six goals from him, and six victories in seven games, including last week's triumph against Barcelona. It would take an awful lot more to defeat Milan,

whose 40-match unbeaten streak in the Italian first division has lately included scoes of 5-4, 7-3 and 5-3. Now all Beriusconi's boys have to do is survive, and hope their supporters survive, in Bratislava, where masked police bullies bludgeoned attacked a Hungarian crowd last month,

Rab Highes is on the staff of the Sunday Times.

# African Stars Are Glowing in European Soccer

PARIS — Diego Maradona may grab the headlines, and Jean-Pierre Papin and Rudi Völler make the millions, but it was African soccer players who were last week's top goal scorers in France, Germany and Portugal.

The quiet revolution in Europe has been

the arrival of Africa's flourishing soccer talent from Liberia, Nigeria, Ivory Coast, Ghana and Senegal. This is nowhere more so than in France, where the hero of the moment is Paris St.

Germain's prolific Liberian, George Weah. Weah was discovered by Monaco while playing for Cameroon's Tonnerre Yaounde. He played five years in Monaco before coming to Paris this season.

But he has not forgot those who helped him to the top, particularly Monaco's coach, Arsene Wenger.

> "When I arrived in Monaco, he made it clear from the start that if I worked hard, he would make a footballer of me," said Weah. "Even though I'm no longer at Monaco, and even if one day I leave Europe and go back to Africa, I will never forget Arsene.

He always treated me like a son, and that helped a lot when I arrived. It is never very easy for an African player to adapt and to succeed in Europe."

you want," Weah added. "I'm here to work, and I behave accordingly. That's perhaps what makes me different — I have an objec-

tive and I feel confident. Weah's cousin, James Debah, is having a fine season for another first division team. Lyon. A third Monrovian and former apartment mate of Wesh's and Debah's, Joe

Nagbe, is heading across the Channel to an English Premier League club, Aston Villa. The French champion, Olympique Mar-seille, owes much of its recent success to

Africans at opposite ends of the field. Ghana's Abedi Pelè, the current African Footballer of the Year, is the lynchpin of Marseille's strike force, while Ivory Coastborn Basile Boli now plays on defense for the French national team.

At the Stade Velodrome, Boli teams with a 24-year-old tonted as a great future defend-er, Marcel Desailly of Ghana. Also among the 35 African-born players

in the French first division are Joseph Antoine-Bell, still keeping goal for St. Etienne at 38, and Youssouf Fofana, whose goals have helped keep Monaco among the elite. However, France is not the only country where African players have made good.

Ricky Owubokiri of Nigeria was Europe's top scorer last season and, at Boavista, is on his way to becoming Portugal's top scorer

for the second year in a row.

In the German Bundesliga, Antony Yeboah of Ghana has scored five goals for Eintracht Frankfurt this season, just two behind the top scorer.

The man who put an end to Bayern Mnnich's unbeaten run this season was Wattenscheid's Souleymane Sane. After a blistering start to the new campaign, it was the Senega-lese striker who stopped the mighty Bayern dead in their tracks with a late goal for a tie. Belgium has more than 20 Nigerians in its top two divisions, with Liege's Victor Ikpeba and Bruges' Daniel Amokachi vying for the limeling with Anderleady's Change for the

limelight with Anderleaht's Ghansian international, Niis Lamptey. In England, a growing number of Zim-babweans are following the lead of Liver-

pool goalkeeper Bruce Grobelaar. One of the Premier League's most exciting pros-pects is Coventry's 19-year-old from Bulawayo, Peter Ndlova. Ndlovu, with a devastating burst of speed, ran a full 40 meters to score Coventry's tying

goal against Everton on Saturday. The only league where African players have yet to make an impact is in Italy.

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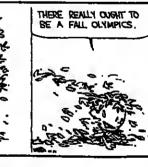
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#### Reviewed by Rudy Maxa

OU don't have to be a tabloid read-L er to know the recent, tumultuous history of the royal family that presides over the tiny principality of Monaco. What with the death by plunging car of Princess Grace, the death by speeding motorboat of Princess Caroline's second husband, and the recent out-of-wedlock pregnancy of Princess Stephanie whose amour is a former palace guard well, the amount of printing ink devoted to Monaco is far out of proportion to the

geopolitical importance of the place.

What tragedy! What scandal! What a
mess! This is the stuff of bodice-ripper
novels and cheesy television miniseries.

It turns out, however, that all this excitement is simply business as usual, historically speaking. During the 800 years the Grimaldi family has reigned over Monaco, there has been an endless sticam of scandal and intrigue peopled by an astounding cast of adulterers, ad-

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of "The Grimaldis of Monaco" detailing the tides of history that tossed Monaco into and out of the arms of Italy as well as those of the Bourbon and Napoleonic dynastics of France. Initially just a hardscrabble patch of land perched above the Mediterranean, home to some heavily taxed olive farmers, Monaco in the 19th century became a favorite haunt of Europe's fast crowd.

Edwards takes a People magazine approach to the first 600 years of the Grimaldi clan's history. Before the French Revolution, Versailles was the center of action in France. The ancestors of the current reigning monarch of Monaco, Prince Rainier III, spent a lot of time hanging around the Sun King's country place engaged in politics, influence peddling and having sex with people other than their spouses. In fact, some of Monaco's monarchs rarely set foot in the place co's monarchs rarely set foot in the place that provided them income and a title.

In the 19th century, gambling made Monaco chic as a winter getaway in cer-

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opened in Europe, the appeal of Monaco began to fade by the time World War II began. Things began looking up again when Prince Ramier convinced Grace Philadelphia contractor, to forsake her

career as an icy blonde movie star to become Monaco's first lady. This turned out not to be as easy as lovers of fairy tales might expect. "I don't want any damn broken-down prince who is head of a pinhead country that nobody knows anything about to marry my daughter!" Jack Kelly is quoted as saying when he learned of the possibility of his daughter's marrying Ramier.

Grace Kelly's dad eventually came around though he would have none of the

suggestion that he pay a \$2 million dowry and sign an agreement that be and his daughter would share in the maintenance of the palace and certain other properties. As Edwards makes clear in her book, this was business as usual for the Grimaldis; throughout the family's history, Grimaldi sons searched out women from wealthy families because their own balance sheets were often in dismal shape.

Jack Kelly did, however, agree to pay \$2 million for a fancy wedding in Monte Carlo and did establish a trust fund for Grace that she could draw on annually. The movie magic and publicity that Grace lent Monaco relaunched the place as a premier resort destination. Grace gave her prince three children

suitable for Life and Paris Match magazine covers: Caroline, Albert and Stephanie, who have what some might consider the unenviable job of continuing the Grimaldi saga into the next century. Monte Carlo is a polished jewel of a city that is home to some of the world's wealthiest people. A beer at Jimmy's disco goes for \$45, and to admire the Rolls-Royces lined up outside the Hôtel de Paris is to forget about the worldwide recession.

Running it all is Prince Rainier, who heads the world's oldest reigning dynasty. It's great fun reading about the torthous route that led to the Monaco of today.

Rudy Maxa, the Washington bureau chief for Spy magazine who frequently visits Monte Carlo to compete in backgammon tournaments, wrote this for The Washington Post.

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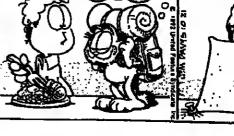
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IEW YORK -- Once the Atlanta Braves the Toronto Blue Jays finish the World ies, the business of baseball will again take it, perhaps altering the game significantly. Imong the major issues baseball officials confront are these:

Economic problems: According to the club ners, this is the No. 1 concern. The escala-n of payrolls has produced a \$1 million rage player salary that owners say has con-nited heavily to financial distress. Television caue—\$401 million will be paid in 1993 expected to decline precipitously when the sent pact expires after next season. Attennce was down 1.6 percent over all in 1992, 1 for 18 of the 28 teams. A recent Gallup Poll wed baseball continues to lag behind footi - by almost two to one - as America's orite sport to watch.

Labor problems: The potential volatility of labor situation could lead to a lockout by owners next spring, and possibly the cancel ion of some, or all, of the 1993 season. Doganizational and image problems: In the ke of the forced, and messy, resignation of mmissioner Pay Vincent last month, base-il is expected to restructure its central office;

commissionership with reduced powers is ely. Squabbling and lawsuits have become nost routine.

For the immediate future, the baseball fan n wonder whether next season will start on

time, or at all. Changing economics are likely to affect the makeup of their favorite teams. For example, the Oakland A's post-season roster included 13 free agents, some of whom will not be re-signed, and some of whom will depart. So the core of the team that won the American League West title four of the last five years is likely to being playing elsewhere.

According to almost every owner or other

management official, finances head the list of

"Clearly, the economic problems are the major problems facing this industry," said Bud Selig, owner of the Milwaukee Brewers and the man in charge of the major leagues since Vin-cent's resignation. "We've come to a moment where, I believe there's a significant problem on the expense side."

A recently completed accounting report based on information provided by the cinbs showed that operating revenues rose from \$1.33 billion in 1990 to \$1.54 billion in 1991. Industrywide operating profits, however, dropped-from \$143 million to \$87 million.

This year, major league officials said, citing information gathered from all the clubs, the industry essentially will break even, even though revenues again rose, perhaps to \$1.64 billion. Officials project a loss for 1993 and, one said, "a disaster" for 1994, the first year of a national television package yet in be negotiated. The culprit for the deteriorating economy, the owners are in unions in plantage lesion. the owners cry in unison, is player salaries. But Donald Fehr, head of the Major League

Baseball Players Association, rejected these dire predictions, which he said he has heard before.
"When people cry doom and gloom," Fehr said, "it suggests to me their motives aren't to

talk about the state of baseball but to set the stage for some new bargaining venture, with the networks or the players or whomever.

Based on the owners' own figures, major league player costs in 1991 amounted to \$730 million, or 47 percent of the owners' revenue. Player salaries, however approached, will be the key element in the next round of negotia-tions between the union and the clubs. The

existing labor contract expires after the 1993 season, but either side can reopen it by Dec. 11. Richard Ravitch, the clubs' chief labor executive, met with groups of owners in Los Angeles and New York in recent weeks discussing the

pluses and minuses of reopening.

Ravitch initially said he needed the support of three-fourths of the clubs to take that fateful step, but as a result of the meetings that standard was changed to a majority. The prevailing belief has been that the own-

ers will opt to reopen, but some owners have said recently that too many will be opposed to that move and it won't happen, thus preserving the 1993 season. In fact, there has even been talk that one or

more owners might go to court to try to block an effort to reopen the contract. That tactic was learned from the Tribune

Company, owner of the Chicago Cubs, which in July gained a preliminary injunction in U.S.

executive council, with Selig as chairman, then rescinded the original realignment order.

Owners opposed to reopening the labor agreement do not favor a lockout next spring nich is generally believed to be Part 2 nf the labor strategy. Jerry Reinsdorf of the Chicago White Sox, one of the most outspoken and influential owners, has said the owners will shut down the game for a year if necessary.

One of the major reasons for Vincent's ouster was the perception by Reinsdorf and others that Vincent was too accommodating to the players union. Now, hard-line owners are insisting that a tough negotiating stance is essential.

Whether the next negotiations occur sooner or later, the clubs most likely will try to persuade the players to accept a revenue-participation plan with some sort of overall cap on team salaries, such as the National Basketball Association has. The result would be that salary costs would be fixed and not subject to a meteorie rise through salary arbitration.

On the other hand, the players, seeing the clubs awarding contracts like the one the Cubs gave Ryne Sandberg for \$7.1 million a year, see nn compelling reason to change the system. Furthermore, the players will ask wby the wealthier, large-market clubs can't share their revenue with the poorer, small-market clubs. In other words, why shouldn't the clubs help

them out?

But Steve Greenberg, the deputy commissioner, who formerly represented players in contract talks, noted the projected industry losses and said: "Revenue sharing at that point isn't revenue sharing. You're talking about loss

And the teams in New York, Los Angeles and Chicago, among others, would fight any effort in play Robin Hood with their riches, If somehow, the poorer clubs could get a revenuesharing plan through, some or all of those richer clubs could simply go to court and block it the way the Cubs blocked realignment. The owners who sit on the executive council

aren't likely in take any action that would offend a substantial number of their fellow owners. It's entirely possible that no future commissioner would either. Vincent did, and he wound up vacationing in Jamaica instead of attending playoff games.

Other problems the owners will have to grap-ple with include television revenue and atten-

Baseball will receive \$401 million, or \$15.4 million a club, in television revenue in 1993. Nn one knows what the owners will get in the upcoming negotiations for a new national television package, hut Greenberg said, "There's absolutely no scenario under which our national television revenues don't drop significantly. Some would say precipitously. If it's a \$2 milworld. If it's closer to \$5 million, which some people are predicting, it's more disastrous."

As for attendance, some attribute the slight decrease to some unusually bad weather in 1992 and the collapse of some teams that had been expected to be contenders.

If the New York Mets and the Los Angeles Dodgers had played up to expectations and matched their attendance figures of 1991, the major leagues would have drawn nearly half a million more fans in 1992 than 1991 instead of drawing nearly a million fewer.

Greenberg noted that attendance in 1992 was still more than it was two years ago. "In this economy, that's dam good," he said. "But what is troubling is some of the trends we've seen. In a normal year, with relatively flat attendance, you'd expect to see about half the clubs up and half down. But this year, you saw 18 clubs down over last year and only eight that were up. Thirteen clubs were down more than 100,000. That's a trend we have to reverse."

Some baseball personnel people see another trend they'd like to reverse: the dilution of talent. Adding two teams in the National League spreads the available talent even more thinly across 28 clubs. Some officials candidly acknowledge that owners voted to expand only to create a new source of revenue, \$95 million from each of the two new franchises.

Then there is the threat to baseball's antitrust exemption. A congressional subcommittee was to have held hearings last month but canceled them because the Senate Judiciary Committee plans to conduct bearings early next year. The owners' ouster of Vincent was among the developments that caught the attention of some

# **Vonderful Games** Redeeming a Sport

By Thomas Boswell

Washington Post Service

ORONTO — Baseball should give Ed Sprague a lifetime achievement award. With one swing of his bat, he saved this World Series, t just for his Blue Jays but for his sport, which badly needs its showcase ent to be a stellar attraction right now.

Baseball has so many sad or ugly problems at the moment that the last ng it needs is for the game on the field, the sport itself, to come up short

. A quick, one-sided Series - which is what we would have had if rague had hit a game-ending double-play ball instead of a gamenning homer - might have been the last straw for some fans, who have gun to feel alienated. We can only take so much guff before saying, "So ig baseball. We'll be back when you get your act straightened out." The last five Series began with the home team winning the first two mes, then winning the Series. Ten of the last 11 Series have seen the bome team win. It was important that

**lantage** 

Sprague demonstrate that baseball merely has a home-field edge, nnt a home-field plague. These days, even the best of baseball so serves to underline the worst. In the last week we've seen three of the -ost memorable ninth-inning hits of any year, Roberto Alomar's homer.

rancisco Cabrera's once-a-century pennant-winning hit. And now Spra-ie's shot, the second time in 89 Series that a pinch-hitter has turned feat into victory with a ninth-inning homer Yet how many people stuck around for these late-inning masterworks? reedy baseball, unable to manage itself and grubbing for every buck, sold so much commercial time between manings that games, especially this ad-soaked month, are obscenely long. Game 2 of the Series took hours. Thanks to television-dictated starting times that are 30 minutes

er than they should be, Cabrera's hit came at almost midnight. Baseball needs to grasp that its basic economic health is tied to its TV tings for October showdowns. And the ratings are going to stink if mes end at midnight, after many people have had to go to bed. So, who's going to put his foot down and take charge? Bud Seli

mous car salesman and make-believe semi-commissioner? . Maybe the good news is that, pretty soon, nobody will want to buy all e commercial time baseball wants to hawk and then the games will get orter. That will be great for the fans. And we hope the players won't ind seeing their salaries cut in half.

But right now, with two empty suits as league presidents, the loyal far als bereft of surrogates.

OMETIMES it seems as if baseball itself is rebelling at the indignities imposed on it. The worse the masters of the game act, the more ectacular the on-field pyrotechnics in October become.

The law of averages seems to be in remission. Sprague's homer is just a latest in a run of World Series chapters that defy belief. Some of us Il haven't gotten over Orel Hershiser of the Los Angeles Dodgers ating the Oakland Athletics by himself in '88, or the Cincinnati Reds ceping the Bash Brothers in '90. As for last year's worst-to-firsters, the He-hour highlight film it produced is so wrought with improbabilities d smack-your-forchead moments that it's hard to believe it happened. sur extra-inning games?

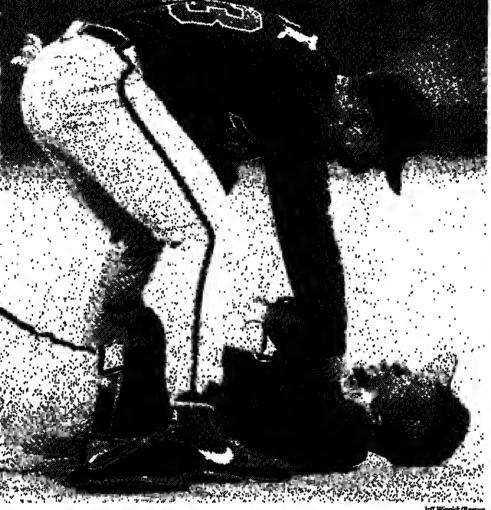
Now, this Series seems to be winding itself up for a seven-game battle, at's lucky. Because everything off the field is enough to curdle the am in your coffee. In the playoffs we saw smart, tough teams from kland and Pittsburgh that are about to be dismembered by departing e agents who can't wait to skip town for a few dollars more. We often spect that many ballplayers are shallow, but we hate to see it proved. Barry Bonds took the prize. He got caught house hunting in Atlanta ting the playoffs and explained that "I want something with enough eage for my horses." And a few acres for his ego, too. Barry would e been better off coming to the park early to work on disciplining his tter-gun throwing arm.

andy Van Slyke came in a close second in the I'm Rich and That's All at Counts contest. He said every ballplayer should vote for the sidential candidate who favored lower tax rates for the wealthy so they 'ild keep more of their millions. Memo to Andy: The rule of thumb ong the wealthy for several hundred years has been to keep these ideas

rinally, we get Deson (Water Bucket) Sanders, whose few redeeming rms don't seem to have a fighting chance against his ego tripping. If eball had a commissioner, Sanders would be suspended now. it least Deion's not talking to the press. Every cloud, it seems, has a

Despite all, this Series has reached a lovely balance point. The Jays e the huge emotional jolt of profiting from one of the most inspir al homers ever hit. On the other hand, neither Jack Morris nor David te have impressed anyone. Conversely, while the Braves have reason worry about their bullpen, they should also expect fine starting bing the rest of the Series. Tom Glavine pitched like a potential Series pt valuable player and John Smoltz was so intimidating that he struck five of the first six batters and was still strong enough to fan the side

the first two games of this Series have probably shown us the shape of n is to follow. Look for the Braves' starters to be even better than the 3' fine rotation. The ultimate outcome will be decided by the Braves' pen. The relief pitchers be given enough slim late-inning leads to win tle. But will they be able to hold four of them?



Outfielder David Justic wrestled with teammate Maryin Freeman, a relief pitcher, as the Braves practiced in Toronto's SkyDome for Game 3 of the Series, tied at one victory for each team. dome, the Braves were quick to

# Blue Jays Feel Like Winners As It Becomes 'World' Series

By Mark Maske

Washington Past Service
TORONTO - The World Series has made its first trip through customs, with the Toronto Blue Jays came in despise the Metrodome. Its arriving home flush from the most stirring - and the most important - victory in franchise history, a superh lead-in to the first World Series game to take place outside the United States.

Major league haseball's first in-ternational World Series took a real baseball in this place," said break Monday for its first international travel day. The Atlanta Braves marveled at the majesty of the SkyDome, and both teams attempted to Tax aside their emotions from Su. \_\_y night's dramatic Game 2 triumph by Toronto.

But with the proceedings resuming here Tuesday evening, Juan Guzman on the mound against the Braves' Steve Avery in Game 3, the Blue Jays still were riding the crest of their ninth-inning comeback in Atianta, where Ed Sprague's tworun home run gave Toronto its first-ever World Series victory.

Instead of facing a two-games-to-none deficit in the 89th Warld Series, the Blue Javs found themselves even at one triumph each games during the regular season.

But at least it's not the Metro-

point out. They went 0-4 there en route to a seven-game defeat by the Minnesota Twins in last year's Sewhite roof made tracking fly balls an adventure, its deafening crowd noise turned on-the-field communication into a virtual impossibility, and its rock-hard artificial turf made crazy hops the norm.

"At least it looks like you play Atlanta nutfielder David Justice. "You can see the ball against the roof, for one thing. It's an unbelievable place, but I don't think it's as much of an advantage as the Twins had playing at bome last year." Still, the Braves came here know-

ing that if they go winless on the road again, this best-of-seven affair won't make it back to Atlanta. With one swing of Sprague's bat, the Blue Jays went from being halfway to another autumn disappointment to perhaps sitting in the favorite's scat.

"We feel pretty good about ourselves today," Dave Winfield said after the Blue Jays finished an optional afternoon worknut in which their catcher, Pat Borders, spent and with the next three contests to about 30 minutes practicing his be played here, where the Bine Jays throws to second base. The Braves won nearly two of every three had tied a Senes record for stolen bases in a nine-inning game with

five, in five attempts, on Sunday. "It could be 2-0 against us, and

"And we don't feel like we've even hit our stride yet. We're due to put together a really solid ballgame or two. We can't let that last game make us feel too secure. By game time all of that will be forgotten."

Many of the Blue Jays said that Sunday night's invigorating victory reminded them of their Game league playoff triumph over Oak-land, when Roberto Alomar's tworun homer overcame a two-run deficit against the A's hullpen stopper supreme, Dennis Eckersley.

So these Blue Jays already have done a lot to distance themselves from past late-season failures. Now, they could be on the verge of the ultimate breakthrough.

The Great Flag Foulin continned, although, for the most part, Canadians seemed willing to accept forgive and forget.

Winfield offered a typical response, saying that the episode wasn't overly bothersome, but somewhat imitating, "No matter what, you shouldn't let that happen," he said. "It's like having dignitaries coming to your home and

putting out the old silverware." The Blue Jays's third baseman, Kelly Gruber, was more pointed in his reaction. "There's no excuse, no excuse at all," said Gruber, whose ". wife is Canadian.

"Put the shoe on the other foot, wouldn't like it," Gruber said.

#### SIDELINES

#### Olympic Golf: Individuals Only

WASHINGTON (WP) - The Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games will amounce Wednesday that its proposed golf competition in 1996 would feature two professional tour-style, 72-hole stroke-play tournaments — one for men, one for women — with medals awarded in individ-

ual competition only. There would be no team competition, according to a format agreed upon by the World Amateur Golf Council, the sport's international federation. Sixty men and 39 women would play in the Olympics, with a maximum of three from any one nation. Professionals would be allowed to compete.

Sources within the Olympic community said the IOC will back Atlanta's Olympic golf plan. But in Geneva, the IOC's president, Juan Antonio Samaranch, said Tuesday that "We have to study it very carefully." He said no decision is expected mutil December.

#### Johnson Will Play More Games

INGLEWOOD, California (NYT) - Magic Johnson, having rejoined the Los Angeles Lakers after a one-season absence following his amouncement that he has the virus that causes AIDS, now says he will probably play several back-to-back games.

He had planned to play in 50 to 60 games in the 82-game season after doctors urged him to avoid playing on consecu-tive nights. But Monday, Johnson said he could easily play back-to-back games in Pacific or mountain time zones. "There's a chance to play more than I originally said,"
Johnson said. "I never said there was no chance. It's just something we've always said, 'Let's see how I feel.'

#### For the Record

Game 3 of Japan's professional baseball championship series between the Seibu Lions and the Yakult Swallows wa

rained out Tuesday.

A strike fireatened by British racehorse owners and trainers protesting high tax levies was called off Tuesday after the Jockey Club said it would call a meeting to discuss

Yari Arbachakov of Russia, who fights out of Japan, retained his WBC flyweight title in Tokyo with a unanimous decision over Chin Yun Un of South Korea. (AP)

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## U.S. Gets Australia In 1993 Davis Cup

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

LONDON - The United States, one step from winning the 1992 Davis Cup, was drawn Tuesday to open its 1993 bid for the tennis

tropby against Australia.
The United States will play Switzerland in this year's final in Fort Worth, Texas, at the end of November.

Although the Americans are the seeded team. Australia will host the '93 match because when the two teams last met, in the 1990 final, it was . played in St. Petersburg, Florida, and the United States won.

"This was just the draw we didn't want." said

the U.S. Tennis Association's president, Bob Cookson. "I'm sure the Australians will be out for revenge." The Americans put the 1990 final on slow clay courts to gain an advantage. Australian players prefer the faster grass courts and are likely to find the quickest surface possible for

the March 26-28 matches. In other first-round competition in 1993. Germany will play Russia, Italy hosts Brazil, Cuba will be in Sweden, India hosts Switzer land, France travels to Austria, the Netherlands plays in Spain and Denmark hosts Czechoslo vakia. (See Scoreboard).

Boris Becker and his German teammates will be scarcely confident about playing in Russia, chosen to replace the Commonwealth of Independent States in this year's World Group. A record 101 nations will play in the 1993 tournament, with Croatia, Slovenia, Estonia, Latvia, Ukraine, Russia, San Marino, Benin and the United Arab Emirates participating for

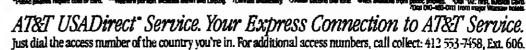
the first time. If UN sanctions are lifted before the 1993 tournament begins, Yugoslavia is eligible to reenter the competition in Euro-African Zone Group 3, the ITF said. (AP, AFP, UPI)



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#### **OBSERVER** October Holiday

By Russell Baker YORK - Now that we've seen through Christopher Columbus, what are we going to do about him? Sure, we are going to applaud kids for denouncing him in school assemblies and we're going to spread the rotten truth about him all over TV and op-ed pages, but that's not doing some-thing, that's just big talk.

A few brave towns took real action last week by refusing to celebrate Columbus Day. It showed how painful it's going to be to turn Columbus into Mr. Nobody. For example, in some places Columbus Day is a school holiday. Kids like it, coming as it does right in the middle of the most beautiful month of the year.

Schoolkids may like being ap-plauded by grown-ups for bad-mouthing history's big shots, but how are they going to like being told, "Kids, you are so correct that you will no longer have to take a day off from school to honor this bum?

But what about grown-up capi-talists who look forward every fall to their Columbus Day sales? Cohimbus Day sales may not be quite as important to merchandisers as Washington's Birthday sales and Lincoln's Birthday sales — now merged into Presidents' Day sales in some areas — but still, if it's been a slow spring and a bad sum-mer the Columbus Day sale may be an entrepreneur's last chance to meet the bank loan.

One way to handle the problem is to keep the holiday but give it a new name. The goal, after all, is not to spoil beautiful October for schoolkids and capitalists, but just to show our civilized good-guy contempt for Columbus.

The problem is to come up with a substitute name so we can keep a boliday in October. This being America, alas (we will get 10 the alasness in a moment), we can't simply call it Beautiful October Day.

In the United States, nature's beauty can be more dangerous politically than Columbus. Start talking about a Beautiful October Day holiday, and bang! - you're suddenly ng denounced as an environmental extremist nut with weird passions for spotted owis and night crawlers. One of the better efforts at a substitute name for Columbus Day

came from Berkeley, California, which officially declared Oct. 12 to be Indigenous Americans Day. My wife, who is writing a book titled "The Dulling of America," seized this news as kindling for starting a

fresh chapter. I told her that mocking "Indigenous Americans Day" as dull struck me as totally insensitive to splendid attempts by sensitive people to show new sensitivity for things toward which we have all n insensitive too long: to wit, practically everything.

Reflection, however, made it clear that Berkeley had also missed the sensitivity boat with "Indigenous Americans Day." What's the use of wiping out the name Columbus if your new holiday name honors another dead white European male, Amerigo Vespucci?

Look: People indigenous to this territory when Columbus arrived in 1492 couldn't have been indigenous "Americans" when Vespucci didn't get his Amerigo over here, according to the histories, until 1499, could they?

Well, first things first. Getting "America" out of the language is going to be a big, big struggle. Co-lumbus is the immediate problem, as, for example, in Columbus, Ohio. It's obvious you can't just get rid of Columbus, Ohio. The University of Ohio is located there, a shrine to that post-indigenous but nevertheless compelling sport football. Co-lumbus, Ohio, also harbors the spirit of James Thurber, a great

writer indigenous to its city limits. These facts suggest a couple of names, Goalsville and Thurberburg, both of which, as they say ou Broadway, need work. Besides work, Thurberburg cries out for ketchip and french fries.

This doesn't begin to scale the Columbus-extermination problem. Fourteen other states have Cohimbuses, 15 have Columbias and three have Columbia counties. There is a Columbia River, two Columbia Fallses, two Columbianas, two Columbia Cities, two Columbiavilles, a Columbia Heights and a Columbia Crossroads, not to mention the District of Columbia and Columbia

Maybe we'd best start gradually, so all together now: Let's not sing "Columbia, the Gem of the

New York Times Service

# Wildlife Parks and High-Stakes Gambling

By David Spanier

ONDON — John Aspinall personifies the British tradition of a gentleman gambler. As a young blood down from Oxford he defied the law by holding private gambling parties for the smart set. In the swinging 60s, he ran the Clermont club in Berkeley Square, favorite haunt of Lord Lucan, until the noble earl disappeared after the mysterious murder of his children's nanny. In the late '70s and '80s, Aspinall dominated the gaming scene in Mayfair with the most luxurious, highest stakes clubs in London. He got out just before the stock market crash in 1987. Now he returns to a changed Britain. On Tuesday night, be was opening a casino in Mayfair, in partnership with his old friend, the financier Sir James Goldsmith.

The difference, this time around, is that the British aristocracy is broke. The old nobility - blue-blooded scions of the shires who were the backbone of British gambling — has disappeared. "The English seem to have lost their confidence," Aspinall laments, "and confidence

is the essence of gambling."

If the old money has gone, it is time to go after the new. His casino will simply be called Aspinall's. The name is a talisman to high rollers: It signifies, this is where the

action is.

Aspinall has decorated his new club with gambling motifs, including bas-retiefs in bronze of four famous gamblers of history, Marshal Blücher, whose intervention was such a damned close run thing at the battle of Waterloo; the 18th-century politician and card player Charles James Fox; King Farouk of Egypt: and Aspinal's former confrère across the baize, Lord Lucan. Below Lucan's likeness is engraved Aspinall's celebrated response to the question: What would you do if he walked into the room? "I would embrace him."

The aim is to attract the international set. Around the world there is a small group of big players, mostly from Asia and the Arab world, numbering probably no more than a few dozen, who are renowned for high play. They are lured by casinos in Las Vegas and Atlantic City as well as by those in Cannes and Monte Carlo. But they can often find a reason to come to London, for business or

Aspinall prides himself on his special empathy for gamblers. His secret in attracting high rollers is that be treats his clients as friends. He knows how to keep them happy, even when losing.
"I have always been a gambler," he says. "There's a

kind of instinctive understanding among big gamblers, even when they don't speak each other's language, like there is among musicians. I understand the mentality of gamblers, how a mar; feels when he is wiped out by a bad loss. I've been there. I owed everyone in London as a

Today, Asia produces the biggest gamblers, Aspinall says. "The Asians are leading the world in their economic growth, and that kind of success encourages people who like to gamble. The Chinese have always been big gamblers. The Oriental players see gambling as part of Western life, which they can include away from home." A new group of players has recently come to the fore, he adds, "Cyprus has taken over from Beirut as a kind of center for Middle Eastern trade. There are a lot of clever people there, and they like to

Can Aspinall succeed at a time of economic recession? He can count on one thing. From the queen mother, with her "little flutter" on the horses, down to the cloth-capped



inter at the greyhound track, everyone loves a bei. The British economy may be tottering, but in London you can speculate on whether the value of the pound will rise or fall against the Deutsche mark, on whether John Major will survive as prime minister, or even on how many weeks the beleaguered chancellor of the exchequer, Norman Lamont, will remain in office.

Aspinall's club will be small and very exclusive. (In Britain gamblers have to sign on as members before they can enter a casino.) It cost £4 million (\$6.8 million) to refurbish the premises to his exacting taste. It is situated in Curzon Street, close to the site of Curzon House, his last venture. When he and Goldsmith sold out five years ago. his £10,000 investment was valued at £30 million.

"I have expensive tastes," Aspinall explains, "My intention is to continue indulging them for as long as I live. I made a lot of money in the old days, but I made bad investments, too. You know how it is, it soon goes." As he told the magistrates court in London, in applying for his new gaming beense, he needs the money.

"We're going to have the highest stakes and the biggest players and the most fun of any casino in town," says Aspinall. The maximum stake on a single number at roulette in British casinos used to be £500, until Aspinall doubled it to £1,000. A lucky punter whose number comes up can win £70,000 on a single spin, and several times that figure if he has covered the adjacent numbers on the board. Now that other casinos have matched this, Aspinall intends to raise the stakes again. How high will he go? "Oh, I don't know," he says airily. "We'll just see how far the players want to go.'

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His new venture is the biggest gamble in Aspinall's long career as ringmaster of big-time gaming. Players like Kerry Packer and Adnan M. Khashoggi are men of means; indeed several Asian punters could easily put up more money than any London casino could afford to lose. If a Sandi prince or a Kuwaiti oil man gets on a lucky roll, he could bust the house. A win of £2 million or £3 million or more is not uncommon in high stakes play.

Among the most flamboyant players of recent years was the late Robert Maxwell. Although not a high roller in the millionaire class, he liked to go into the casino before dinner and scatter a few thousand pounds, playing two roulette tables at the same time.

Isn't raising the stakes in Aspinall's new venture run ning rather too big a risk to sleep quietly at night? "Of course it is!" Aspinall says with a grin. "That's why I do it. It's more fun, going too far. That's what I've always done. For me that's the point of gambling." Aspinall does not want money for its own sake. His

driving passion, the enduring love of his life, is wild animals. He runs two of the finest zoos in Europe, Howletts and Port Lympne, in Kent. They are distinguished by the space and freedom given the animals, where they live closer to their natural habitat than in conventional zoos. But the wildlife parks cost upwards of £5 million a year to run. His share of the profits of the new casino, he hopes, will fund his zoos. He also owns an estate in South Africa,

David Spanier is the author, most recently, of "All Right, Okay, You Win" (Secker & Warburg, London), which looks at gambling in Las Vegus.

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Barbie will no longer grumble, "Math class is tough," which the American Association of University Women labeled as sexist earlier this month. Mattel Inc. has agreed to redesign Teen Talk Barbie, and offered to swap the math-averse doll for another talking Barbie. "We didn't fully consider the potentially negative implications of this phrase," Jill E. Barad - president of Mattel and one of the highest ranking women in American business - said diplomatically Sharon Schuster, president of the women's group, said she was satisfied with the toymaker's offer.

Earl Spencer, father of Britain's Princess Diana, left an estate worth £89.2 million (\$145.3 million), according to his will. Diana and her two sisters were left "mementoes"; Diana's two children, Prince Harry and Prince William, got £1,000 each; his widow, Raine Legge, was left cash, investments, an annuity of £10,000, and the contents of his houses. David Robinson, a partner in the law firm acting for the executors, said "a very high proportion" of the estate's value was Althorp, the family's home, which went 10 the earl's only son, Charles.

Roseanne Arnold's leather-andlace look at the Emmys got ber a spot on People's worst-dressed list for 1992. Michael Jordan was among the magazine's fashion elite. Madonna and Demi Moore were urged to keep their clothes off. Other best-dressed: Annette Bening, Peter Jennings, Jackie Onassis, Gregory Himes and Candice Bergen. Other worst-dressed: Geena Davis, Ivana Trump, La Toya and Michael Jackson, Arsenio Hall, Monica Seles and, surprise, Axl

At last! The most heavily promoted book of the year, "Sex" by Madonna, hits U.S. bookstores Wednesday, while in Britain the book has gotten the go-ahead from the police. They said there was "insufficient evidence" to ban it under obscenity laws.

The jazz trumpeter Dizzy Gillespie, recovering from surgery, will spend his 75th birthday Wednes-day on a cruise ship with 50 musician friends.

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